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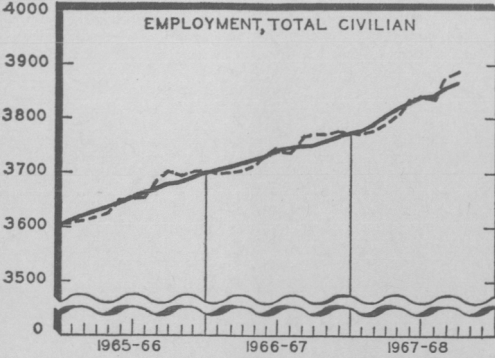
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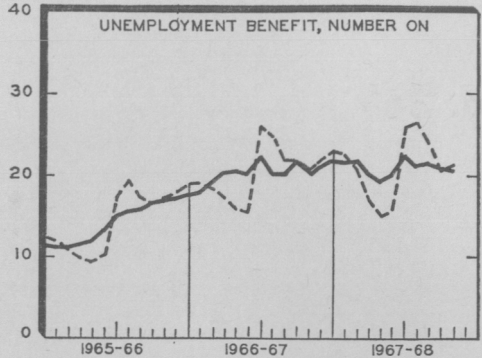
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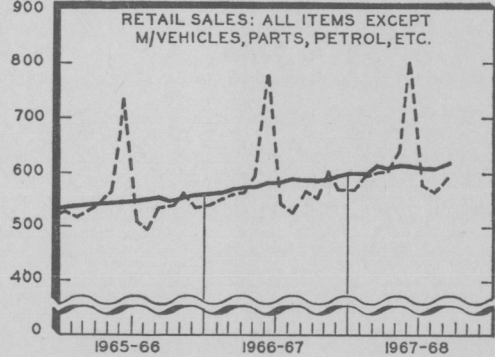
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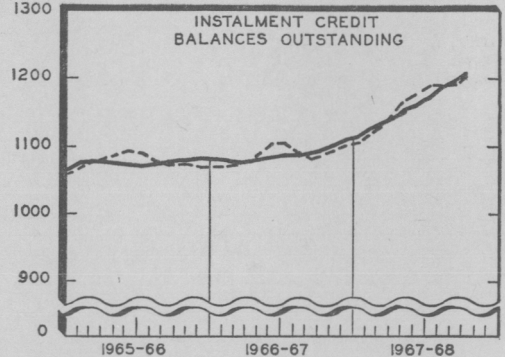
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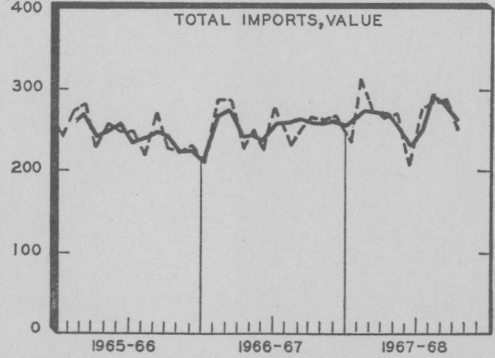
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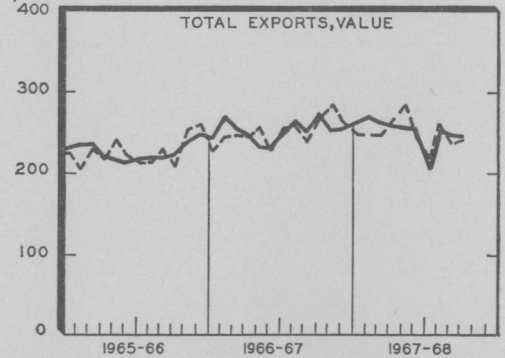
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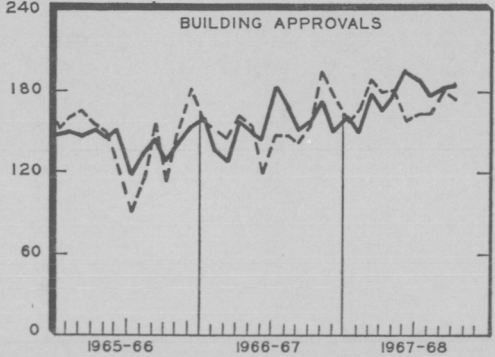
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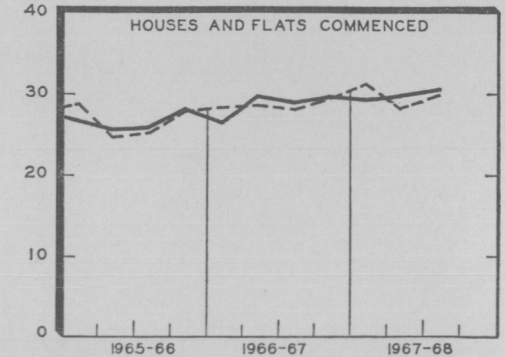
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SEASONALLY ADJUSTED INDICATORS

In the Contents, page one, page numbers of series containing seasonally adjusted indicators are marked with asterisks. The seasonally adjusted statistics shown in this issue have been revised following a re-analysis of the series in accordance with the procedures indicated in the introductory notes of *Seasonally Adjusted Indicators*.

Details of the methods used in seasonally adjusting these and other series are given in *Seasonally Adjusted Indicators 1968*, issued by this Bureau in May 1968, which contains original and seasonally adjusted data in tabular and graphical form for sixty-six selected series. The seasonally adjusted indicators included therein are up-dated in relevant monthly and quarterly publications of this Bureau.

As well as being adjusted for normal seasonal factors, some of the statistical series included in the Review have been adjusted for the effects of some calendar irregularities, namely: 'trading-day' effects (arising from the varying numbers of Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays, etc. in the month) and the influence of moveable holidays, i.e., Easter and Australia Day. The adjustments made to each series are indicated in Appendix B of *Seasonally Adjusted Indicators 1968*.

For explanatory matter on seasonal adjustment of National Accounts see *Quarterly Estimates of National Income and Expenditure* No. 30, December Quarter 1967.

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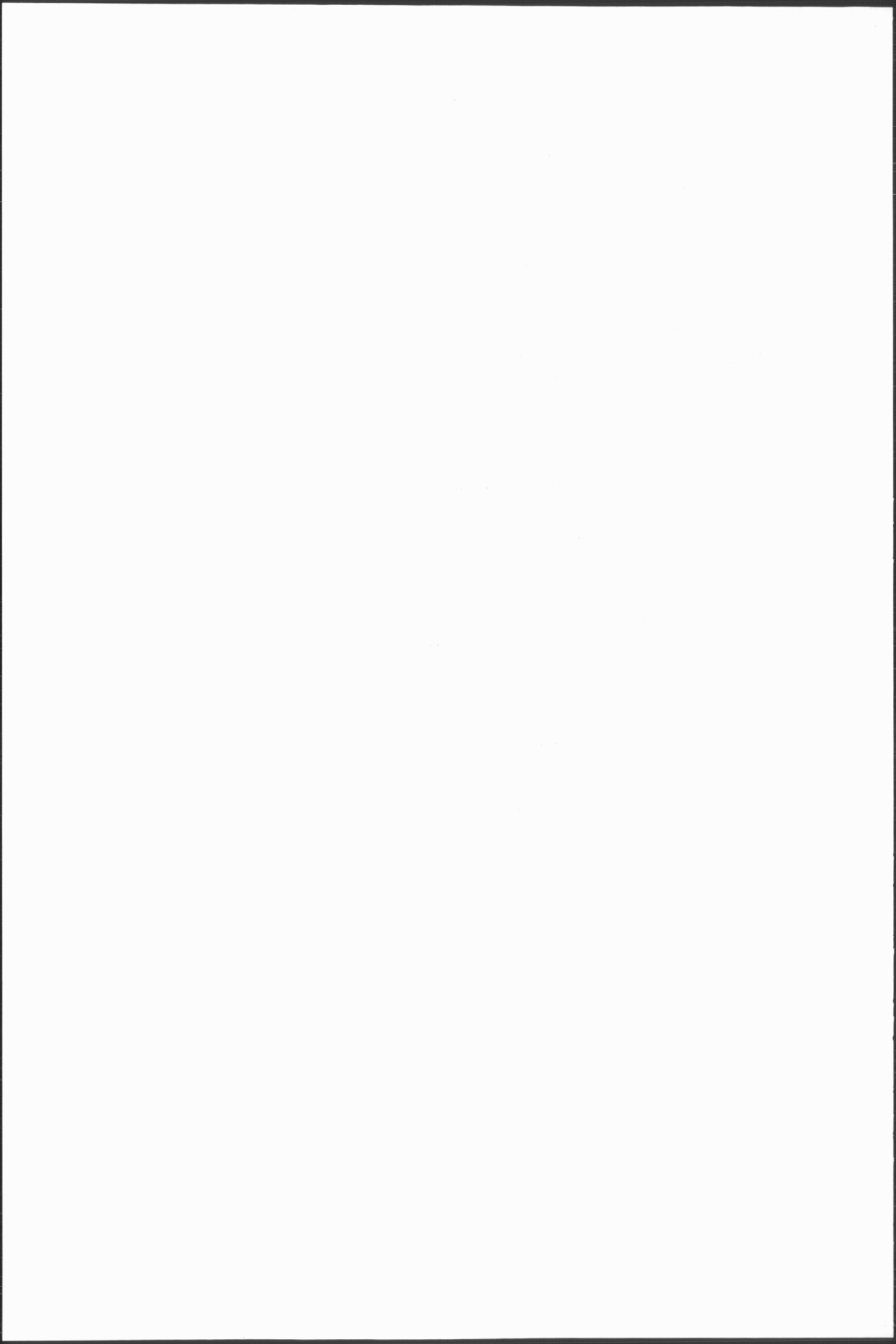
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POPULATION AND VITAL STATISTICS, AUSTRALIA

Period	Marriage registrations (a)	Birth registrations (a)	Death registrations (a)	Natural increase (a) (b)	Net overseas migration gain(c)	Population(d) —	
						Increase (e)	At end of period
Quarterly average							
1957—58	18,511	55,265	21,150	34,115	16,650	50,549	9,842,333
1958—59	18,458	56,495	22,013	34,482	19,289	53,537	10,056,479
1959—60	18,859	57,157	22,056	35,101	19,779	54,635	10,275,020
1960—61	19,091	59,459	22,199	37,260	21,297	58,292	<i>fg</i> 10,548,267
1961—62	19,393	59,611	22,480	37,131	12,103	48,506	10,742,291
1962—63	20,180	58,660	23,309	35,351	17,431	52,022	10,950,379
1963—64	20,610	58,138	24,425	33,713	21,102	54,081	11,166,702
1964—65	22,570	56,018	25,156	30,862	25,139	55,241	11,387,665
1965—66	23,781	55,638	25,175	30,463	23,097	52,958	<i>f</i> 11,599,498
1966—67	(a) 24,496	(a) 57,052	(a) 26,307	(a) 30,745	21,844	52,667	11,810,165
Quarterly total							
1964—65—							
March	24,521	54,920	21,486	33,434	28,435	61,061	11,341,490
June	23,768	55,217	24,698	30,519	16,414	46,175	11,387,665
1965—66—							
September	20,320	57,170	29,876	27,294	24,564	51,165	11,438,830
December	24,937	55,547	23,655	31,892	35,443	66,578	11,505,408
March	24,861	54,792	22,272	32,520	26,337	58,119	11,563,527
June	25,008	55,044	24,899	30,145	6,045	35,971	<i>f</i> 11,599,498
1966—67—							
September	20,476	56,298	31,740	24,558	21,429	46,124	11,645,622
December	25,701	56,492	25,018	31,474	33,115	64,765	11,710,387
March	(a) 27,058	(a) 57,405	(a) 23,010	(a) 34,395	28,145	62,540	11,772,927
June	(a) 24,749	(a) 58,012	(a) 25,458	(a) 32,554	4,684	37,238	11,810,165
1967—68—							
September	(a) 21,428	(a) 57,579	(a) 29,559	(a) 28,020	26,225	54,245	11,864,410
December	(a) 26,765	(a) 56,300	(a) 24,676	(a) 31,624	32,855	64,479	11,928,889

(a) Includes particulars of Aborigines from 1 January 1967. (b) Excess of births registered over deaths registered. (c) Excess of recorded overseas arrivals over recorded overseas departures. (d) Includes Aborigines from 30 June 1961. (e) Increase consists of natural increase, net overseas migration gain and adjustments for differences between the population estimated and recorded at census dates (up to 1966 Census). (f) Population at Census date. The difference between the statistics as here published and those shown in Census publications cannot be taken as reliable statistics of the Aboriginal population. (g) Includes an estimate for Aborigines out of contact at the Census.

POPULATION: STATES

A new series of State population estimates has been introduced from 30 September 1961 (see Australian Demographic Review No. 236 for explanation of method used). In addition, for dates commencing 30 June 1961, all population figures include Aborigines. The results of the 1966 Census have been taken into account in the preparation of these estimates.

Date	New South Wales	Victoria	Queens- land	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory	Australian Capital Territory	Australia
30 June—									
1956	3,554,257	2,593,468	1,381,591	848,557	674,529	318,470	19,556	35,135	9,425,563
1957	3,624,969	2,656,257	1,413,085	873,166	687,605	326,130	21,061	(a) 37,865	9,640,138
1958	3,691,954	2,718,482	1,439,199	896,803	699,565	333,066	22,097	41,167	9,842,333
1959	3,759,834	2,785,905	1,468,237	920,898	712,070	339,376	24,089	(a) 46,070	10,056,479
1960	3,832,453	2,857,389	1,495,927	945,320	722,080	343,910	25,573	52,368	10,275,020
1961(b)(c)	3,918,501	2,930,366	1,527,514	971,487	(d) 746,750	350,340	(d) 44,481	58,828	d10,548,267
1962(c)	3,986,948	2,983,058	1,550,982	987,496	765,962	355,668	46,004	66,173	10,742,291
1963(c)	4,049,998	3,040,841	1,577,867	1,010,741	788,344	360,727	48,461	(a) 73,400	10,950,379
1964(c)	4,107,915	3,105,519	1,610,698	1,038,020	808,443	364,311	51,463	(a) 80,333	11,166,702
1965(c)	4,175,438	3,164,369	1,644,534	1,067,571	825,525	367,905	53,858	(a) 88,465	11,387,665
1966(b)(c)	4,237,901	3,220,217	1,674,324	1,094,984	848,100	371,436	56,504	96,032	11,599,498
1967(c)	4,306,949	3,274,396	1,701,623	1,111,480	876,362	376,434	59,329	(a) 103,592	11,810,165
31 December—									
1967(c)	4,347,309	3,303,631	1,718,266	1,118,477	892,763	379,628	60,639	108,176	11,928,889

(a) Based on Population Count of Canberra. (b) See note (f) above. (c) See note above. (d) Includes an estimate for Aborigines out of contact at the Census.

OVERSEAS ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES

Permanent movement—persons arriving with the stated intention of settling permanently in Australia, and Australian residents departing with the stated intention of residing permanently abroad.

Long-term movement—arrival of visitors and temporary departure of residents with the stated intention of staying (in Australia or in a country abroad respectively) for twelve months or more, and the departure of visitors and return of Australian residents who have stayed (in Australia or in a country abroad respectively) for twelve months or more.

Short-term movement—all other overseas arrivals and departures, including those of Australian troops irrespective of period of stay, and U.S. troops visiting Australia on rest and recreation leave. The latter are classified for statistical purposes as short-term visitors.

Crew members, persons passing through Australia on board the same ship or on the same flight (variously called direct transit passengers or 'through' passengers) and passengers on short pleasure cruises commencing and finishing in Australia on ships not then engaged in regular voyages, are excluded from these statistics.

Arrivals

Period	Permanent movement	Long-term movement		Short-term movement		Total arrivals	Excess of total arrivals over total departures
	Settlers arriving	Residents returning	Visitors arriving	Residents returning	Visitors arriving		
Monthly average							
1962-63	8,491	1,781	1,164	8,395	9,970	29,801	5,811
1963-64	10,193	1,922	1,181	9,978	11,135	34,409	7,034
1964-65	11,679	2,005	1,374	12,338	13,481	40,877	8,380
1965-66	12,005	2,273	1,538	14,234	14,989	45,039	7,699
1966-67	11,556	2,597	1,673	16,879	16,540	49,245	7,281
Monthly total							
1966-67—							
February	10,808	2,795	2,544	16,390	17,473	50,010	9,679
March	14,908	2,702	1,914	15,780	18,700	54,004	8,752
April	10,933	1,987	1,480	15,480	16,104	45,984	-3,091
May	12,438	2,403	1,660	17,095	16,793	50,389	2,090
June	11,592	2,071	1,344	16,628	12,876	44,511	5,685
1967-68—							
July	7,776	2,612	1,575	16,293	13,761	42,017	4,956
August	12,159	3,065	1,898	19,878	18,742	55,742	8,387
September	7,890	3,129	1,529	22,428	17,337	52,313	12,882
October	12,505	3,534	1,903	21,684	20,216	59,842	13,571
November	9,794	3,137	1,520	19,443	22,395	56,289	12,899
December	11,790	4,952	1,854	16,797	29,729	65,122	6,385
January	13,770	3,624	2,777	30,049	23,872	74,092	10,364
February	10,113	2,722	2,798	20,559	24,133	60,325	11,933
March	13,492	2,926	2,208	18,460	24,444	61,530	5,737

Departures

Period	Permanent movement		Long-term movement		Short-term movement		Total departures
	Former settlers departing (a)	Other residents departing	Residents departing	Visitors departing	Residents departing	Visitors departing	
Monthly average							
1962-63	725	574	2,860	1,102	8,532	10,197	23,990
1963-64	722	602	3,328	1,027	10,137	11,559	27,375
1964-65	856	569	3,558	1,137	12,461	13,916	32,497
1965-66	1,364	550	4,315	984	14,484	15,643	37,340
1966-67	1,703	735	4,479	1,059	16,559	17,429	41,964
Monthly total							
1966-67—							
February	1,396	779	3,829	986	15,185	18,156	40,331
March	1,335	722	4,096	1,039	18,415	19,645	45,252
April	1,715	721	4,794	1,234	21,060	19,551	49,075
May	1,739	671	4,094	1,029	21,570	19,196	48,299
June	1,286	643	4,012	884	17,454	14,547	38,826
1967-68—							
July	1,270	681	3,619	982	16,371	14,138	37,061
August	3,225	817	5,632	1,127	18,446	18,108	47,355
September	1,677	591	3,700	1,011	13,253	19,199	39,431
October	2,876	735	4,488	959	16,388	20,825	46,271
November	2,192	642	3,850	967	13,440	22,299	43,390
December	1,425	561	3,538	1,282	29,400	22,531	58,737
January	2,963	889	7,281	1,204	19,766	31,625	63,728
February	1,064	530	3,306	973	16,725	25,794	48,392
March	1,530	570	3,928	1,097	22,358	26,310	55,793

(a) Excludes persons who stated on departure that they had come to Australia to settle and had stayed for a period of less than twelve months.

Note. Minus sign (—) denotes excess of departures over arrivals.

WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT(a)

(Excluding employees in rural industry and private domestic service, and defence forces)

See footnote (a), page 6, concerning the pending revision of this series.

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Month	Civilian employees in main industry groups									Total civilian employees		
	Manufacturing (b)	Building and construction	Transport and storage	Finance and property	Commerce	Public authority activities (n.e.i.)	Community and business services (c)	Amusement, hotels, personal service, etc.	Other industries (d)	Private employers	Government authorities	Total
Males												
1963—June . . .	879.4	281.6	187.1	86.2	367.6	101.7	170.4	74.6	227.7	1,680.8	695.4	2,376.2
1964—June . . .	(e)920.9	290.0	192.5	92.1	381.2	105.7	178.3	78.2	230.5	1,762.3	707.0	2,469.3
1965—June . . .	952.2	299.0	e197.9	96.9	392.9	110.1	186.4	83.2	234.5	e1,834.7	718.4	e2,553.1
1966—June . . .	955.2	310.1	201.8	101.7	396.1	116.5	195.0	87.9	242.3	1,861.5	745.1	2,606.6
1967—June . . .	965.9	299.0	201.9	105.4	398.4	122.5	201.8	92.0	248.4	1,878.4	756.9	2,635.3
1966—												
November . . .	958.3	301.6	202.6	101.0	402.3	118.4	196.3	91.1	244.5	1,871.5	744.4	2,615.9
December . . .	956.4	299.1	202.8	102.2	406.0	119.4	196.6	92.8	246.3	1,872.1	749.4	2,621.5
1967—												
January . . .	960.5	297.9	202.1	103.7	401.4	120.4	197.7	92.3	246.2	1,871.2	751.0	2,622.2
February . . .	965.8	299.6	201.9	104.9	400.4	120.9	200.5	92.2	247.5	1,877.9	755.7	2,633.6
March . . .	967.6	298.0	202.2	105.1	398.3	121.7	201.0	92.4	246.9	1,878.3	754.9	2,633.2
April . . .	966.8	298.5	202.1	105.2	398.9	122.0	201.0	92.0	246.7	1,877.9	755.4	2,633.3
May . . .	967.0	300.9	202.2	105.2	398.6	122.5	201.9	92.1	247.7	1,880.9	757.4	2,638.3
June . . .	965.9	299.0	201.9	105.4	398.4	122.5	201.8	92.0	248.4	1,878.4	756.9	2,635.3
July . . .	966.1	298.7	201.8	105.3	397.1	122.8	201.8	92.1	249.1	1,877.1	757.7	2,634.8
August . . .	966.3	299.2	202.6	105.2	398.8	123.0	202.5	92.9	249.4	1,881.9	758.1	2,640.0
September . . .	968.7	299.7	203.1	105.2	400.2	123.2	202.8	93.8	249.1	1,887.9	757.9	2,645.8
October . . .	972.0	300.7	204.1	105.0	401.6	123.6	203.3	94.7	249.2	1,895.5	758.6	2,654.1
November . . .	977.5	303.0	204.8	105.1	407.3	124.2	203.7	95.4	250.0	1,910.0	760.9	2,670.9
December . . .	973.5	301.9	204.5	105.6	410.3	125.0	204.1	97.6	253.3	1,910.8	765.0	2,675.8
1968—												
January . . .	975.6	301.2	204.5	107.1	406.0	126.4	206.0	97.2	254.1	1,910.9	767.2	2,678.1
February . . .	r984.6	304.9	204.6	108.8	r406.0	126.6	210.0	97.8	255.9	r1,925.0	r774.2	r2,699.2
March . . .	987.0	306.3	204.6	109.3	405.7	127.0	210.6	97.8	255.8	1,928.2	776.0	2,704.2
Females												
1963—June . . .	259.7	5.5	17.1	56.6	212.7	37.2	241.6	81.8	26.4	771.5	167.1	938.6
1964—June . . .	277.6	5.8	18.1	60.0	221.7	39.1	255.5	86.0	27.7	815.1	176.3	991.4
1965—June . . .	293.8	6.6	19.4	63.6	233.1	42.0	269.5	93.5	29.6	863.2	187.8	1,051.0
1966—June . . .	297.1	7.1	21.0	67.5	242.4	46.2	283.7	100.0	31.2	894.4	201.8	1,096.2
1967—June . . .	305.5	7.5	21.7	70.1	251.0	49.4	296.6	105.5	32.6	927.1	212.7	1,139.8
1966—												
November . . .	301.4	7.3	21.2	67.3	253.7	48.4	286.4	104.3	32.4	916.8	205.7	1,122.5
December . . .	298.7	7.3	21.2	68.2	254.3	48.6	283.3	105.2	33.3	915.4	204.8	1,120.2
1967—												
January . . .	299.5	7.3	21.3	69.5	248.2	49.2	283.8	105.0	32.5	911.2	205.2	1,116.4
February . . .	307.3	7.3	21.5	70.4	248.4	49.5	291.7	105.1	32.4	922.4	211.0	1,133.4
March . . .	309.4	7.3	21.6	70.4	249.0	50.0	293.2	105.8	32.6	926.8	212.4	1,139.2
April . . .	307.5	7.4	21.7	70.4	249.9	49.8	294.4	105.8	32.5	926.8	212.5	1,139.3
May . . .	305.5	7.5	21.7	70.2	251.0	49.8	295.5	106.1	32.5	926.7	213.0	1,139.7
June . . .	305.5	7.5	21.7	70.1	251.0	49.4	296.6	105.5	32.6	927.1	212.7	1,139.8
July . . .	305.3	7.6	21.7	69.9	249.8	50.2	297.3	105.8	32.5	926.7	213.3	1,140.0
August . . .	306.1	7.6	21.8	69.6	250.3	50.3	298.1	107.1	32.6	929.9	213.5	1,143.4
September . . .	308.0	7.7	21.9	69.4	251.2	50.1	298.8	107.8	32.8	933.6	214.1	1,147.7
October . . .	310.4	7.7	21.9	69.5	253.9	50.2	299.6	108.5	33.2	940.5	214.5	1,155.0
November . . .	312.1	7.8	22.0	69.9	261.0	50.8	300.4	109.4	33.7	951.2	215.9	1,167.1
December . . .	309.2	7.8	21.9	70.4	262.6	50.9	298.0	110.7	34.4	951.1	214.8	1,165.9
1968—												
January . . .	308.5	7.9	22.1	71.5	254.6	51.2	299.2	110.3	33.7	943.2	215.9	1,159.1
February . . .	315.3	8.0	22.2	72.9	r254.7	51.5	r307.1	111.5	33.7	r954.9	r222.0	r1,176.9
March . . .	317.5	8.1	22.6	73.1	255.1	51.5	310.9	112.6	33.6	962.3	222.7	1,185.0

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WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT(a)

(Excluding employees in rural industry and private domestic service, and defence forces)
(‘000)

Month	Civilian employees in main industry groups										
	Manufacturing (b)		Building and con- struction	Transport and storage	Finance and property	Commerce		Public authority activities (n.e.i.)	Com- munity and business services (c)	Amuse- ment, hotels, personal service, etc.	Other in- dustries (d)
	Original	Season- ally adjusted				Original	Season- ally adjusted				
Persons											
1958—June . . .	1,030.8	1,035	261.7	203.4	110.2	511.7	516	121.5	319.4	138.5	244.9
1959—June . . .	1,051.8	1,057	266.9	201.6	116.2	520.9	525	124.5	337.7	139.3	245.9
1960—June . . .	1,110.7	1,116	272.0	202.2	126.5	542.7	547	125.2	356.5	143.7	247.0
1961—June . . .	1,055.1	1,060	279.7	207.4	134.6	552.6	557	129.6	374.5	148.9	250.8
1962—June . . .	1,105.7	1,111	280.9	201.9	137.7	559.7	564	133.6	393.5	149.0	251.5
1963—June . . .	1,139.1	1,143	287.1	204.2	142.8	580.3	584	138.9	412.0	156.4	254.1
1964—June . . .	1,198.5	1,201	295.8	210.6	152.1	602.9	606	144.8	433.9	164.2	258.2
1965—June . . .	1,246.1	1,248	305.6	217.3	160.4	625.9	629	152.1	455.9	176.7	264.1
1966—June . . .	1,252.3	1,253	317.2	222.8	169.1	638.5	642	162.7	478.7	187.8	273.5
1967—June . . .	1,271.4	1,272	306.5	223.6	175.5	649.3	652	172.0	498.4	197.5	281.0
1966—											
February . . .	1,256.7	1,249	313.9	222.6	168.4	637.3	638	159.6	472.3	185.8	271.3
March . . .	1,261.5	1,250	314.8	223.4	169.1	637.6	639	160.9	475.7	186.8	271.9
April . . .	1,253.3	1,249	315.8	223.6	168.9	638.1	639	161.1	476.2	187.0	272.2
May . . .	1,254.0	1,253	316.9	222.9	168.7	638.7	640	161.8	477.1	188.0	272.7
June . . .	1,252.3	1,253	317.2	222.8	169.1	638.5	642	162.7	478.7	187.8	273.5
July . . .	1,250.8	1,254	315.5	222.6	168.6	635.7	642	164.0	479.5	188.0	274.7
August . . .	1,250.4	1,254	314.1	223.1	168.5	636.2	643	165.0	480.4	189.6	274.9
September . . .	1,249.6	1,254	312.0	223.1	168.1	639.0	644	165.0	481.7	191.9	275.4
October . . .	1,254.5	1,257	310.3	222.9	167.7	643.4	645	165.4	481.8	192.9	275.9
November . . .	1,259.7	1,259	308.9	223.8	168.4	656.0	646	166.8	482.7	195.3	276.8
December . . .	1,255.1	1,262	306.4	224.1	170.3	660.4	646	167.9	479.9	198.1	279.5
1967—											
January . . .	1,260.0	1,265	305.2	223.4	173.2	649.5	648	169.6	481.5	197.3	278.8
February . . .	1,273.1	1,265	306.9	223.3	175.2	648.8	649	170.4	492.2	197.3	279.9
March . . .	1,277.0	1,266	305.3	223.8	175.5	647.4	649	171.6	494.2	198.2	279.5
April . . .	1,274.2	1,269	305.9	223.8	175.6	648.8	650	171.8	495.4	197.8	279.2
May . . .	1,272.5	1,271	308.3	223.9	175.4	649.6	651	172.3	497.4	198.2	280.3
June . . .	1,271.4	1,272	306.5	223.6	175.5	649.3	652	172.0	498.4	197.5	281.0
July . . .	1,271.4	1,274	306.2	223.5	175.2	646.9	653	173.0	499.1	197.8	281.6
August . . .	1,272.4	1,276	306.8	224.4	174.8	649.1	656	173.3	500.6	200.0	282.0
September . . .	1,276.7	1,282	307.3	224.9	174.7	651.4	656	173.4	501.6	201.5	281.9
October . . .	1,282.3	1,286	308.5	226.0	174.5	655.5	657	173.8	502.9	203.2	282.4
November . . .	1,289.6	1,289	310.8	226.8	175.0	668.3	658	175.0	504.1	204.8	283.6
December . . .	1,282.7	1,290	309.7	226.4	176.0	672.9	659	175.9	502.1	208.3	287.7
1968—											
January . . .	1,284.1	1,289	309.1	226.7	178.6	660.6	659	177.6	505.2	207.5	287.8
February . . .	1,299.9	1,291	312.9	226.8	181.7	660.7	661	178.1	517.2	209.3	289.7
March . . .	1,304.6	1,293	314.5	227.2	182.4	660.8	662	178.4	521.5	210.4	289.4

(a) The figures in this table, except those relating to government employees, are based on comprehensive data from the Population Censuses of June 1954 and June 1961. Estimates for months subsequent to June 1961 are derived from current pay-roll tax returns, returns of government employment, other direct records of employment, and estimates of the number of employees not covered by these collections. The figures are not directly comparable with statistics derived from the 1966 Population Census, for which new work force definitions were adopted. Estimates for June 1966 and subsequent months will be revised as soon as possible. The new series, which will be at a higher level than the present series, will be based on 1966 census benchmarks. In due course estimates for periods prior to the census of June 1966 will be revised, but on a basis comparable with that of the 1961 census benchmarks. (b) Includes employees engaged in selling and distribution, etc., as well as those occupied directly in manufacturing activity. (c) Includes law and order; religion and social welfare; health services; education; and other community and business services. (d) Includes forestry, fishing and trapping; mining and quarrying; electricity, gas, water and sanitary services; and communication. (e) Affected by industrial disputes.

WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT^(a)

(Excluding employees in rural industry and private domestic service, and defence forces)

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Month	Total males		Total females		Total persons					
					Private		Government		Total	
	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted
1958—June .	2,148	2,147	794	798	2,168	2,176	774	771	2,942	2,946
1959—June .	2,186	2,186	819	823	2,211	2,220	794	790	3,005	3,009
1960—June .	2,257	2,257	870	874	2,328	2,338	799	795	3,127	3,132
1961—June .	2,264	2,265	869	873	2,309	2,318	824	820	3,133	3,138
1962—June .	2,308	2,308	906	910	2,371	2,379	842	839	3,214	3,218
1963—June .	2,376	2,375	939	942	2,452	2,459	863	859	3,315	3,318
1964—June .	2,469	2,468	991	995	2,577	2,583	883	880	3,461	3,463
1965—June .	^b 2,553	2,552	1,051	1,054	^b 2,698	2,702	906	903	^b 3,604	3,605
1966—June .	2,607	2,605	1,096	1,099	2,756	2,760	947	944	3,703	3,704
1967—June .	2,635	2,634	1,140	1,143	2,806	2,809	970	967	3,775	3,776
1966—										
February .	2,600	2,589	1,088	1,084	2,752	2,742	936	930	3,688	3,673
March .	2,607	2,596	1,095	1,086	2,761	2,747	941	935	3,702	3,683
April .	2,605	2,597	1,091	1,089	2,754	2,748	943	938	3,696	3,686
May .	2,608	2,601	1,093	1,093	2,756	2,753	945	940	3,701	3,694
June .	2,607	2,605	1,096	1,099	2,756	2,760	947	944	3,703	3,704
July .	2,603	2,607	1,097	1,101	2,751	2,762	948	947	3,699	3,709
August .	2,602	2,609	1,100	1,105	2,753	2,765	949	950	3,702	3,714
September .	2,601	2,611	1,105	1,108	2,758	2,768	948	952	3,706	3,720
October .	2,604	2,615	1,111	1,112	2,767	2,772	948	955	3,715	3,727
November .	2,616	2,618	1,123	1,116	2,788	2,778	950	956	3,738	3,734
December .	2,622	2,624	1,120	1,119	2,788	2,783	954	960	3,742	3,743
1967—										
January .	2,622	2,623	1,116	1,123	2,782	2,788	956	960	3,739	3,746
February .	2,634	2,622	1,133	1,129	2,800	2,790	967	961	3,767	3,751
March .	2,633	2,623	1,139	1,130	2,805	2,791	967	962	3,772	3,754
April .	2,633	2,625	1,139	1,137	2,805	2,799	968	963	3,773	3,762
May .	2,638	2,631	1,140	1,140	2,808	2,805	970	965	3,778	3,771
June .	2,635	2,634	1,140	1,143	2,806	2,809	970	967	3,775	3,776
July .	2,635	2,640	1,140	1,145	2,804	2,815	971	970	3,775	3,785
August .	2,640	2,647	1,143	1,149	2,812	2,824	972	972	3,783	3,796
September .	2,646	2,656	1,148	1,152	2,822	2,832	972	976	3,794	3,808
October .	2,654	2,665	1,155	1,156	2,836	2,842	973	980	3,809	3,822
November .	2,671	2,673	1,167	1,160	2,861	2,851	977	983	3,838	3,833
December .	2,676	2,678	1,166	1,165	2,862	2,858	980	985	3,842	3,842
1968—										
January .	2,678	2,679	1,159	1,166	2,854	2,860	983	987	3,837	3,845
February .	2,699	2,687	r1,177	1,172	r2,880	2,869	996	990	r3,876	3,859
March .	2,704	2,693	1,185	1,176	2,890	2,876	999	993	3,889	3,870

(a) See footnote (a) on page 6.

(b) Affected by industrial disputes.

WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT(a)

(Excluding employees in rural industry and private domestic service, and defence forces)

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Month	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory	Australian Capital Territory (b)	Australia
Males									
1963—June	914.2	675.2	304.5	219.6	159.4	74.9	8.0	20.4	2,376.2
1964—June	947.7	702.8	(c)316.8	229.4	164.3	77.4	8.9	21.9	2,469.3
1965—June(c)	976.9	723.5	329.1	239.9	171.5	78.4	9.5	24.2	2,553.1
1966—June	996.2	733.4	336.6	242.1	180.7	81.1	10.5	26.0	2,606.6
1967—June	1,006.4	744.8	335.2	243.2	183.9	82.7	11.6	27.4	2,635.3
1966—									
August	993.7	732.1	336.6	241.1	180.5	81.1	10.7	26.3	2,602.1
September	993.4	732.8	336.1	240.3	180.5	81.0	10.7	26.2	2,601.1
October	995.0	734.6	334.8	240.4	180.5	81.3	10.8	26.3	2,603.8
November	1,000.6	738.8	334.8	240.8	181.7	82.0	10.7	26.6	2,615.9
December	1,004.6	743.0	329.5	241.7	182.7	82.6	10.6	26.9	2,621.5
1967—									
January	1,001.7	744.8	330.9	242.4	182.3	82.7	10.5	26.9	2,622.2
February	1,005.0	749.3	333.3	243.0	182.8	82.8	10.4	26.9	2,633.6
March	1,005.7	746.8	333.3	243.8	183.1	83.1	10.6	26.9	2,633.2
April	1,006.3	745.5	334.0	243.6	182.8	83.3	10.9	27.0	2,633.3
May	1,007.3	746.1	336.1	243.3	183.9	83.0	11.4	27.3	2,638.3
June	1,006.4	744.8	335.2	243.2	183.9	82.7	11.6	27.4	2,635.3
July	1,004.3	744.0	336.8	243.3	184.9	82.3	11.9	27.5	2,634.8
August	1,006.5	745.0	337.5	243.7	185.2	82.3	12.0	27.8	2,640.0
September	1,008.6	746.4	338.0	243.8	186.7	82.4	12.0	28.0	2,645.8
October	1,011.8	748.8	337.8	245.1	188.3	82.1	12.0	28.2	2,654.1
November	1,017.8	755.0	338.1	246.7	190.3	82.5	11.8	28.6	2,670.9
December	1,020.7	759.2	332.6	247.4	191.6	83.7	11.6	28.8	2,675.8
1968—									
January	1,019.6	759.5	333.0	248.0	193.2	84.0	11.6	29.2	2,678.1
February	r1,025.0	764.1	r339.1	250.6	195.4	84.3	11.6	29.1	r2,699.2
March	1,026.8	764.3	340.8	250.5	196.4	84.2	12.0	29.2	2,704.2
Females									
1963—June	370.8	285.4	108.9	80.9	55.5	25.5	2.9	8.7	938.6
1964—June	390.7	300.6	115.5	86.0	58.5	27.1	3.0	10.0	991.4
1965—June	412.6	316.3	123.1	93.4	62.7	28.1	3.2	11.5	1,051.0
1966—June	426.7	328.4	128.9	97.7	68.0	29.8	3.6	13.1	1,096.2
1967—June	443.4	340.9	133.9	99.7	72.4	30.9	4.1	14.4	1,139.8
1966—									
August	428.8	328.8	130.1	97.2	68.3	29.6	3.7	13.5	1,100.0
September	431.6	329.7	130.4	97.7	68.6	29.5	3.7	13.4	1,104.6
October	435.3	331.9	130.7	97.6	68.8	29.8	3.7	13.4	1,111.1
November	440.4	334.9	131.5	98.5	69.9	29.9	3.7	13.7	1,122.5
December	439.4	335.2	130.6	98.2	68.6	30.5	3.7	13.9	1,120.2
1967—									
January	436.0	335.2	129.9	98.7	68.6	30.3	3.7	14.0	1,116.4
February	439.7	341.8	132.5	100.1	71.0	30.5	3.8	14.1	1,133.4
March	442.5	342.6	132.8	100.7	71.5	31.0	3.8	14.3	1,139.2
April	442.1	342.5	133.1	100.1	72.0	31.2	3.9	14.3	1,139.3
May	442.2	341.9	133.9	99.9	72.2	31.2	4.0	14.4	1,139.7
June	443.4	340.9	133.9	99.7	72.4	30.9	4.1	14.4	1,139.8
July	443.0	341.1	134.4	99.8	72.4	30.5	4.1	14.5	1,140.0
August	444.6	341.9	134.7	100.2	72.8	30.4	4.2	14.7	1,143.4
September	446.8	342.6	135.3	100.5	73.0	30.4	4.2	14.9	1,147.7
October	449.8	344.3	136.2	101.3	73.7	30.5	4.2	14.9	1,155.0
November	454.7	348.3	136.8	102.5	74.7	30.8	4.2	15.1	1,167.1
December	454.8	347.9	136.5	102.5	73.5	31.4	4.2	15.3	1,165.9
1968—									
January	449.9	346.5	135.8	102.6	73.3	31.4	4.1	15.4	1,159.1
February	r453.4	r352.0	138.0	r105.3	76.6	31.6	r4.3	15.7	r1,176.9
March	456.7	353.6	138.3	106.2	77.7	32.1	4.5	15.8	1,185.0

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WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT(a)

(Excluding employees in rural industry and private domestic service, and defence forces)

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Month	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory	Australian Capital Territory (b)	Australia
Persons									
1958—June	1,138.9	854.2	380.1	260.4	190.4	92.4	8.0	17.8	2,942.2
1959—June	1,157.6	875.2	387.7	269.5	193.3	93.6	8.8	19.0	3,004.7
1960—June	1,213.3	913.2	396.0	279.0	197.9	97.1	9.2	20.8	3,126.5
1961—June	1,220.1	909.8	393.8	279.8	199.7	98.1	9.6	22.3	3,133.2
1962—June	1,253.2	930.8	399.2	287.9	208.1	99.1	10.0	25.2	3,213.5
1963—June	1,285.0	960.6	413.4	300.5	214.9	100.4	10.9	29.1	3,314.8
1964—June	1,338.4	1,003.3	(c)432.3	315.5	222.9	104.5	11.9	31.9	3,460.7
1965—June(c)	1,389.5	1,039.8	452.2	333.3	234.2	106.5	12.7	35.7	3,604.1
1966—June	1,422.9	1,061.8	465.5	339.8	248.7	110.9	14.1	39.1	3,702.8
1967—June	1,449.8	1,085.7	469.1	342.9	256.3	113.6	15.7	41.8	3,775.1
1966—									
January	1,411.6	1,054.7	448.0	337.5	243.0	109.7	13.3	38.3	3,656.0
February	1,417.9	1,065.4	455.9	340.1	246.4	110.2	13.5	38.6	3,687.9
March	1,421.9	1,068.3	458.2	341.4	248.5	111.1	13.6	38.9	3,701.8
April	1,421.0	1,063.0	459.1	340.3	248.6	111.2	13.8	39.2	3,696.1
May	1,422.1	1,063.0	462.5	340.1	248.6	111.4	14.0	39.2	3,700.8
June	1,422.9	1,061.8	465.5	339.8	248.7	110.9	14.1	39.1	3,702.8
July	1,421.2	1,060.4	466.5	338.7	248.6	110.4	14.3	39.1	3,699.2
August	1,422.5	1,060.9	466.7	338.3	248.8	110.7	14.4	39.8	3,702.1
September	1,425.0	1,062.5	466.5	338.0	249.1	110.5	14.4	39.6	3,705.7
October	1,430.3	1,066.5	465.5	338.0	249.3	111.1	14.5	39.7	3,714.9
November	1,441.0	1,073.7	466.3	339.3	251.6	111.9	14.4	40.3	3,738.4
December	1,444.0	1,078.2	460.1	339.9	251.3	113.1	14.3	40.8	3,741.7
1967—									
January	1,437.7	1,080.0	460.8	341.1	250.9	113.0	14.2	40.9	3,738.6
February	1,444.7	1,091.1	465.8	343.1	253.8	113.3	14.2	41.0	3,767.0
March	1,448.2	1,089.4	466.1	344.5	254.6	114.1	14.4	41.2	3,772.4
April	1,448.4	1,088.0	467.1	343.7	254.8	114.5	14.8	41.3	3,772.6
May	1,449.5	1,088.0	470.0	343.2	256.1	114.2	15.4	41.7	3,778.0
June	1,449.8	1,085.7	469.1	342.9	256.3	113.6	15.7	41.8	3,775.1
July	1,447.3	1,085.1	471.2	343.1	257.3	112.8	16.0	42.0	3,774.8
August	1,451.1	1,086.9	472.2	343.9	258.0	112.7	16.2	42.5	3,783.4
September	1,455.4	1,089.0	473.3	344.3	259.7	112.8	16.2	42.9	3,793.5
October	1,461.6	1,093.1	474.0	346.4	262.0	112.6	16.2	43.1	3,809.1
November	1,472.5	1,103.3	474.9	349.2	265.0	113.3	16.0	43.7	3,838.0
December	1,475.5	1,107.1	469.1	349.9	265.1	115.1	15.8	44.1	3,841.7
1968—									
January	1,469.5	1,106.0	468.8	350.6	266.5	115.4	15.7	44.6	3,837.2
February	1,478.4	1,116.1	477.1	355.9	272.0	115.9	15.9	44.8	3,876.1
March	1,483.5	1,117.9	479.1	356.7	274.1	116.3	16.5	45.0	3,889.2

(a) See footnote (a) on page 6. (b) Includes persons employed in the Australian Capital Territory who reside in adjoining areas.
(c) Affected by industrial disputes.

PERSONS REGISTERED FOR EMPLOYMENT(a)

(Source: Department of Labour and National Service)

STATES (Persons)

Month	N.S.W.(b)	Vic.	Qld	S.A.(c)	W.A.	Tas.	Australia *
1963—June	34,258	19,135	12,055	6,479	6,053	3,427	81,407
1964—June	18,400	10,137	7,558	4,339	5,141	2,968	48,543
1965—June	15,670	8,771	8,360	3,533	3,576	2,235	42,145
1966—June	22,837	14,026	9,735	7,357	3,370	1,695	59,020
1967—June	24,957	16,152	13,025	8,484	3,757	2,116	68,491
1966—							
November	25,122	11,686	11,888	6,482	3,042	1,657	59,877
December	24,628	19,076	17,954	8,479	3,613	2,707	76,457
1967—							
January	27,723	22,456	20,327	10,711	4,726	3,022	88,965
February	25,598	17,083	17,417	9,328	3,964	2,864	76,254
March	22,656	12,720	16,086	7,910	3,465	2,020	64,857
April	22,831	13,124	14,648	8,219	3,465	1,759	64,046
May	23,217	15,791	13,464	8,373	3,398	1,942	66,185
June	24,957	16,152	13,025	8,484	3,757	2,116	68,491
July	24,527	16,257	10,476	8,463	3,446	2,216	65,385
August	22,493	15,352	8,602	8,046	3,142	2,153	59,788
September	19,901	14,672	7,171	6,949	2,411	2,096	53,200
October	18,847	12,995	6,723	6,091	2,240	1,738	48,634
November	24,068	15,288	12,432	6,244	3,029	1,961	63,022
December	24,252	23,930	18,195	10,304	3,844	3,064	83,589
1968—							
January	29,024	25,665	21,625	11,366	5,360	3,173	96,213
February	24,776	20,852	17,659	9,006	4,466	2,390	79,149
March	21,595	19,227	14,972	8,308	3,626	1,635	69,363
April	20,795	19,582	13,347	8,118	3,430	1,714	66,986

AUSTRALIA

Month	Males		Females		Persons	
	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted
1963—June	48,895	48,344	32,512	32,126	81,407	80,328
1964—June	25,305	25,288	23,238	23,267	48,543	48,471
1965—June	22,403	22,531	19,742	19,997	42,145	42,456
1966—June	36,066	36,306	22,954	23,415	59,020	59,674
1967—June	43,166	43,465	25,325	25,904	68,491	69,350
1966—						
November	36,083	39,947	23,794	25,260	59,877	65,249
December	49,363	37,462	27,094	24,318	76,457	62,355
1967—						
January	56,829	38,712	32,136	24,700	88,965	63,503
February	45,560	40,556	30,694	24,751	76,254	64,880
March	38,556	40,817	26,301	24,200	64,857	64,484
April	38,000	40,488	26,046	25,314	64,046	65,536
May	40,458	42,379	25,727	25,711	66,185	67,910
June	43,166	43,465	25,325	25,904	68,491	69,350
July	40,921	43,017	24,464	26,491	65,385	69,600
August	37,648	43,300	22,140	26,774	59,788	70,007
September	32,674	41,167	20,526	26,271	53,200	67,855
October	28,638	38,819	19,996	25,974	48,634	64,728
November	36,792	40,640	26,230	27,717	63,022	68,515
December	52,613	39,953	30,976	27,735	83,589	67,984
1968—						
January	60,305	40,957	35,908	27,560	96,213	68,528
February	45,879	40,827	33,270	26,812	79,149	67,368
March	39,644	41,961	29,719	27,346	69,363	69,006
April	39,190	41,870	27,796	27,039	66,986	68,704

(a) Persons who claimed, when registering with the Commonwealth Employment Service, that they were not employed and who were recorded as unplaced. Includes those referred to employers and those who may have obtained employment without notifying the C.E.S. Includes also persons receiving unemployment benefit. (b) Includes the Australian Capital Territory. (c) Includes the Northern Territory

* Also seasonally adjusted—see below.

VACANCIES REGISTERED WITH COMMONWEALTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICE(a)

(Source: Department of Labour and National Service)

STATES

(Persons)

Month	N.S.W.(b)	Vic.	Qld	S.A.(c)	W.A.	Tas.	Australia *
1963—June	6,419	8,461	2,772	2,007	947	447	21,053
1964—June	12,090	14,141	4,540	3,425	1,143	601	35,940
1965—June	15,602	17,901	3,769	4,356	2,422	639	44,689
1966—June	10,734	13,751	3,239	1,507	2,965	825	33,021
1967—June	10,384	11,459	2,345	1,342	2,411	1,394	29,335
1966—							
November	19,108	24,135	3,798	3,305	3,327	1,840	55,513
December	17,558	22,734	3,372	3,444	2,687	2,242	52,037
1967—							
January	15,712	22,822	3,524	2,920	2,861	2,015	49,854
February	13,064	18,335	3,004	2,466	3,454	2,264	42,587
March	13,123	16,379	2,650	1,669	3,295	1,636	38,752
April	12,543	15,218	2,618	1,658	3,328	1,287	36,652
May	11,626	12,246	2,409	1,555	2,927	1,248	32,011
June	10,384	11,459	2,345	1,342	2,411	1,394	29,335
July	10,685	10,904	2,339	1,379	2,427	1,501	29,235
August	11,567	11,443	2,814	1,691	2,945	1,535	31,995
September	12,361	12,146	3,219	1,885	3,621	1,787	35,019
October	13,582	13,137	3,491	2,217	4,206	1,687	38,320
November	15,219	13,387	3,456	2,089	4,284	2,935	41,370
December	14,846	17,617	2,979	3,659	3,470	2,849	45,420
1968—							
January	15,878	18,762	2,858	3,128	3,890	2,106	46,622
February	14,335	13,460	2,603	2,076	3,803	2,119	38,396
March	13,212	11,942	2,614	1,992	3,769	1,458	34,987
April	12,148	10,188	2,480	1,769	3,720	1,163	31,468

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Month	Males		Females		Persons	
	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted
1963—June	14,033	18,645	7,020	9,188	21,053	27,785
1964—June	26,002	34,070	9,938	12,912	35,940	46,913
1965—June	32,071	41,573	12,618	16,255	44,689	57,811
1966—June	22,116	28,528	10,905	13,984	33,021	42,526
1967—June	18,669	24,022	10,666	13,648	29,335	37,695
1966—						
November	37,666	28,302	17,847	14,221	55,513	42,617
December	34,576	28,173	17,461	14,622	52,037	42,628
1967—						
January	34,000	27,285	15,854	13,565	49,854	41,053
February	28,501	26,970	14,086	14,130	42,587	41,119
March	26,097	27,410	12,655	14,362	38,752	41,458
April	24,795	27,666	11,857	14,510	36,652	41,887
May	20,594	24,575	11,417	14,184	32,011	38,645
June	18,669	24,022	10,666	13,648	29,335	37,695
July	18,136	23,379	11,099	13,150	29,235	36,697
August	19,320	22,873	12,675	13,258	31,995	36,353
September	21,364	22,642	13,655	12,340	35,019	35,309
October	24,359	21,900	13,961	11,657	38,320	33,513
November	27,792	20,939	13,578	10,870	41,370	31,875
December	31,044	25,227	14,376	12,022	45,420	37,097
1968—						
January	31,997	25,636	14,625	12,504	46,622	38,352
February	25,746	24,406	12,650	12,686	38,396	37,126
March	23,715	24,948	11,272	12,833	34,987	37,486
April	20,975	23,384	10,493	12,843	31,468	35,922

(a) Vacancies which employers claimed were either available immediately or would be available by the end of the following calendar month. (b) Includes the Australian Capital Territory. (c) Includes the Northern Territory.

* Also seasonally adjusted—see below.

UNEMPLOYMENT, SICKNESS AND SPECIAL BENEFITS

PERSONS ON BENEFIT

(Source : Department of Social Services)

UNEMPLOYMENT

Period	New South Wales	Victoria	Queens-land	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Australia(a)					
							Males		Females		Persons	
							Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted
June												
1958	11,669	6,899	4,905	2,258	3,005	639	22,051	21,110	7,367	6,346	29,418	27,508
1959	12,062	6,013	4,477	1,332	2,939	670	19,691	18,385	7,837	6,750	27,528	25,223
1960	5,605	3,676	3,064	1,380	2,293	500	11,399	10,440	5,142	4,427	16,541	14,904
1961	19,574	16,089	9,632	4,042	3,417	1,336	42,479	38,711	11,775	10,155	54,254	48,640
1962	16,967	14,338	7,432	3,057	2,667	1,778	32,401	29,669	13,923	12,073	46,324	41,669
1963	16,834	8,548	5,353	2,441	3,179	1,777	24,200	22,440	13,988	12,260	38,188	34,731
1964	6,851	3,380	2,803	1,267	2,367	1,399	9,478	8,896	8,651	7,689	18,129	16,690
1965	4,667	1,960	3,239	703	1,137	926	6,753	6,398	5,903	5,324	12,656	11,776
1966	7,839	3,450	4,209	2,352	743	433	12,154	11,544	6,904	6,291	19,058	17,819
1967	8,170	4,159	5,916	3,808	785	526	15,833	15,058	7,561	6,927	23,394	21,932
Last Saturday of month												
1965-66—												
March	6,167	2,364	5,766	1,635	620	217	10,188	10,868	6,607	6,132	16,795	17,018
April	6,781	2,719	5,390	1,881	552	219	10,838	11,091	6,722	6,159	17,560	17,209
May	7,132	2,975	4,857	2,148	622	311	11,187	11,146	6,895	6,331	18,082	17,473
June	7,839	3,450	4,209	2,352	743	433	12,154	11,544	6,904	6,291	19,058	17,819
1966-67—												
July	7,947	4,050	2,988	2,845	825	512	12,387	11,988	6,813	6,372	19,200	18,341
August	7,576	4,020	2,792	2,916	771	494	12,250	13,030	6,344	6,532	18,594	19,506
September	7,021	3,672	2,730	3,020	638	470	11,718	14,162	5,852	6,819	17,570	20,900
October	6,366	3,089	2,753	2,864	581	453	10,626	14,309	5,496	6,901	16,122	21,124
November	6,500	2,747	3,078	2,648	512	404	10,386	14,107	5,534	6,766	15,920	20,748
December	9,026	3,980	8,351	3,480	941	465	19,373	14,459	6,919	6,891	26,292	21,832
January	8,225	3,835	8,092	3,538	818	452	17,866	13,457	7,160	6,820	25,026	20,338
February	7,344	3,061	7,603	3,050	676	388	14,904	13,614	7,280	6,698	22,184	20,297
March	7,121	2,902	7,984	2,962	736	334	14,604	15,641	7,501	6,942	22,105	22,418
April	7,040	3,269	6,510	3,148	625	315	13,436	13,789	7,508	6,872	20,944	20,552
May	7,390	3,705	6,348	3,524	619	380	14,488	14,405	7,523	6,916	22,011	21,257
June	8,170	4,159	5,916	3,808	785	526	15,833	15,058	7,561	6,927	23,394	21,932
1967-68—												
July	8,517	4,530	4,272	4,147	855	597	15,542	15,139	7,409	6,968	22,951	22,053
August	7,882	4,373	3,342	3,789	736	620	13,976	14,931	6,791	7,012	20,767	21,859
September	6,603	3,926	2,620	2,997	494	533	11,408	13,829	5,779	6,765	17,187	20,512
October	6,013	3,505	2,345	2,593	396	419	9,806	13,255	5,481	6,894	15,287	20,090
November	6,096	3,472	2,856	2,500	360	432	9,869	13,441	5,866	7,157	15,735	20,537
December	8 770	5,229	7,411	3,665	673	536	18,738	13,877	7,583	7,526	26,321	21,703
January	8,267	4,954	8,570	3,691	629	536	18,712	14,057	7,973	7,573	26,685	21,618
February	7,271	4,238	8,072	3,209	606	474	15,463	14,121	8,465	7,766	23,928	21,892
March	6,079	4,193	6,595	2,907	574	361	12,470	13,376	8,274	7,653	20,744	21,046
April	6,457	5,007	5,470	3,197	541	396	12,911	13,269	8,179	7,483	21,090	20,717

SICKNESS AND SPECIAL BENEFITS: AUSTRALIA

Period	Sickness	Special		Period	Sickness	Special	
		Ordinary	Migrant(b)			Ordinary	Migrant(b)
June				1966-67—			
1963	10,876	2,468	177	June	10,459	2,148	322
1964	10,776	2,577	105	1967-68—			
1965	10,187	2,423	90	July	10,582	2,208	251
1966	10,220	2,329	222	August	10,734	2,188	398
1967	10,459	2,148	322	September	10,321	2,127	135
				October	10,337	2,251	191
Last Saturday of month				November	10,312	2,160	272
1966-67—				December	9,327	2,176	753
March	9,197	2,077	246	January	9,160	2,231	518
April	9,915	2,096	231	February	9,598	2,256	302
May	10,494	2,145	211	March	10,164	2,313	219
				April	9,552	2,208	265

(a) Includes Australian Capital Territory and Northern Territory.

(b) In accommodation centres.

VALUE OF RETAIL SALES (a): COMMODITY GROUPS*

Figures are on a basis comparable with the 1961-62 Retail Census. The figures in the table below relate to retail sales of goods (as distinct from services, repairs, accommodation, entertainments, meals, etc.) by establishments which normally sell goods by retail to the general public from shops, rooms, kiosks and yards. Hotels, garages and service stations are also included in respect of goods sold, but establishments such as clubs and guest houses are entirely excluded. Figures for the year 1961-62 are derived from a census taken in respect of that year, whereas other figures are estimates made by means of sample surveys.

(\$ million)

Period	Gro- ceries (b)	But- chers' meat	Other food (c)	Beer, wine and spirits	Cloth- ing and dra- perry	Foot- wear	Hard- ware (d)	Elec- trical goods (e)	Furni- ture	Chem- ists' goods	News- papers, books and sta- tionery	Other goods (f)	Total (excl. motor vehi- cles, etc.)	Motor vehi- cles, parts, petrol, etc. (g)
Quarterly average														
1957-58	179.2	85.4	147.3	124.3	225.5	29.8	68.9	48.8	180.0	1,089.0	322.6			
1958-59	184.3	89.2	154.2	123.6	198.7	32.3	77.5	48.9	48.5	36.3	102.5	1,128.7	345.5	
1959-60	195.5	96.7	167.6	131.4	217.0	36.1	93.5	57.3	54.0	38.9	113.2	1,236.3	413.7	
1960-61	208.3	105.4	176.3	134.6	225.3	38.4	88.6	58.6	60.7	40.0	121.0	1,293.3	412.4	
1961-62	214.6	105.6	182.5	136.5	225.0	38.7	87.0	57.5	66.5	41.6	122.4	1,314.3	400.8	
1962-63	223.2	111.2	191.3	143.6	232.4	40.6	91.8	61.3	71.1	43.2	130.0	1,378.3	496.5	
1963-64	235.4	117.1	198.9	148.2	253.3	43.0	97.3	68.0	76.9	47.9	139.4	1,463.8	545.2	
1964-65	254.7	126.9	211.6	157.7	269.0	44.6	103.3	75.3	84.3	51.0	150.0	1,569.5	582.7	
1965-66	274.0	136.1	222.4	170.9	278.8	45.5	99.7	77.3	91.5	53.7	159.7	1,651.1	575.6	
1966-67	291.9	146.0	234.7	184.7	290.7	49.7	100.7	79.3	97.9	58.4	169.7	1,748.1	600.2	
Quarterly total														
1964-65—														
March	242.9	123.5	210.7	163.7	223.1	37.6	94.8	67.1	78.9	52.2	135.8	1,468.7	557.8	
June	257.1	130.0	211.2	149.7	288.8	47.1	97.8	71.7	84.0	47.4	140.9	1,562.9	587.1	
1965-66—														
September	268.2	135.8	213.5	152.5	265.1	43.0	97.7	78.2	87.5	48.2	148.4	1,575.5	607.3	
December	293.3	138.2	234.7	190.7	322.8	51.3	116.2	89.4	101.9	61.8	195.0	1,847.7	572.4	
March	260.9	130.8	220.4	176.1	231.6	39.2	91.8	68.9	85.5	55.0	144.5	1,542.1	549.2	
June	273.6	139.6	221.0	164.2	295.6	48.6	93.0	72.7	90.9	49.9	150.9	1,639.0	573.6	
1966-67—														
September	283.3	144.3	225.2	166.5	269.1	46.1	96.4	79.1	95.0	53.2	158.9	1,656.4	584.1	
December	312.6	145.5	246.5	206.1	336.3	56.4	116.4	91.8	110.0	65.4	205.5	1,948.8	625.3	
March	281.1	143.1	236.3	189.6	244.7	42.1	93.0	69.3	91.0	60.0	155.5	1,646.6	575.8	
June	290.7	150.9	230.9	176.6	312.5	54.1	96.9	77.0	95.5	55.0	158.7	1,740.6	615.5	
1967-68—														
September	304.9	154.4	236.3	180.1	293.5	50.4	101.4	84.9	100.0	56.3	166.0	1,769.8	648.8	
December	332.5	151.5	257.5	221.9	357.4	60.8	127.4	99.9	116.4	69.0	210.0	2,064.1	676.2	
March p														
Monthly total														
1967—														
November													646.6	..
December													812.7	..
1968—														
January p													584.9	..
February p													574.5	..
March p													594.9	..
April p													597.6	..

(a) Excludes Northern Territory and Australian Capital Territory. (b) Includes bacon, butter, etc. (c) Includes fresh fruit and vegetables, confectionery, soft drinks, ice cream, cakes, pastry, cooked provisions, fish, etc., but excludes some delivered milk and bread. (d) Excludes basic building materials, builders' hardware and supplies such as tools of trade, paint, etc. (e) Includes radios, television, and accessories, musical instruments, domestic refrigerators, etc. (f) Includes tobacco, cigarettes, etc, jewellery, sporting goods etc. but excludes grain and produce and business machines. (g) Includes new and used motor vehicles, parts, petrol, etc., but excludes tractors, farm machinery and implements, earth-moving equipment, etc.

Note. Figures from June quarter, 1967 are subject to revision when more precise information is available relating to trading by new businesses.

* Also seasonally adjusted—see page 14.

VALUE OF RETAIL SALES (a) : COMMODITY GROUPS

Figures are on a basis comparable with the 1961-62 Retail Census. The figures in the table below relate to retail sales of goods (as distinct from services, repairs, accommodation, entertainments, meals, etc.) by establishments which normally sell goods by retail to the general public from shops, rooms, kiosks and yards. Hotels, garages and service stations are also included in respect of goods sold, but establishments such as clubs and guest houses are entirely excluded. Figures for the year 1961-62 are derived from a census taken in respect of that year, whereas other figures are estimates made by means of sample surveys.

(\$ million)

Period	Food and drink		Clothing, hardware, electrical, furniture		Other		Total (excluding motor vehicles, etc.)		Motor vehicles, parts, petrol, etc.	
	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted
Quarterly average										
1957-58 .	536.1	..	373.0	..	180.0	..	1,089.0	..	322.6	..
1958-59 .	551.3	..	390.2	..	187.3	..	1,128.7	..	345.5	..
1959-60 .	591.2	..	439.2	..	206.1	..	1,236.3	..	413.7	..
1960-61 .	624.5	..	447.2	..	221.7	..	1,293.3	..	412.4	..
1961-62 .	639.1	..	444.7	..	230.5	..	1,314.3	..	400.8	..
1962-63 .	669.3	..	464.9	..	244.3	..	1,378.3	..	496.5	..
1963-64 .	699.5	..	500.3	..	264.2	..	1,463.8	..	545.2	..
1964-65 .	750.9	..	533.4	..	285.3	..	1,569.5	..	582.7	..
1965-66 .	803.4	..	542.9	..	304.9	..	1,651.1	..	575.6	..
1966-67 .	857.3	..	565.0	..	326.0	..	1,748.1	..	600.2	..
Quarterly total										
1964-65—										
March .	740.8	755.1	461.0	534.5	266.9	288.1	1,468.7	1,576.6	557.8	589.6
June .	748.0	771.0	542.6	537.5	272.3	291.6	1,562.9	1,599.4	587.1	594.2
1965-66—										
September .	770.0	786.4	521.4	539.9	284.1	296.3	1,575.5	1,623.0	607.3	594.1
December .	856.9	798.4	632.1	540.9	358.7	302.5	1,847.7	1,641.9	572.4	549.0
March .	788.2	806.6	468.9	545.6	285.0	308.2	1,542.1	1,661.2	549.2	580.8
June .	798.4	823.4	548.9	544.3	291.7	312.8	1,639.0	1,678.5	573.6	578.3
1966-67—										
September .	819.3	834.3	530.0	547.5	307.1	319.3	1,656.4	1,702.0	584.1	572.8
December .	910.7	850.8	657.2	563.9	380.9	322.5	1,948.8	1,736.8	625.3	600.1
March .	850.1	866.2	490.0	567.2	306.5	329.5	1,646.6	1,765.4	575.8	608.7
June .	849.1	875.9	582.3	577.7	309.2	331.8	1,740.6	1,783.2	615.5	619.4
1967-68—										
September .	875.7	895.2	571.8	593.2	322.3	336.5	1,769.8	1,826.0	648.8	637.1
December .	963.4	906.0	705.3	609.1	395.4	337.2	2,064.1	1,851.5	676.2	649.0
March p .	912.8	920.2	516.1	590.5	325.4	345.8	1,754.3	1,860.3	636.0	672.3
Monthly total										
1967—										
November .	..	..	..	..	..	..	646.6	619.1	..	..
December .	..	..	..	..	..	..	812.7	618.1	..	..
1968—										
January p .	..	..	..	..	..	..	584.9	618.9	..	..
February p .	..	..	..	..	..	..	574.5	617.1	..	..
March p .	..	..	..	..	..	..	594.9	624.2	..	..
April p .	..	..	..	..	..	..	597.6	620.0	..	..

(a) Excludes Northern Territory and Australian Capital Territory.

Note. Figures from June quarter, 1967 are subject to revision when more precise information is available relating to trading by new businesses.

INSTALMENT CREDIT FOR RETAIL SALES

The following statistics cover all types of schemes which relate primarily to the financing of retail sales of goods and in which repayment is made by regular predetermined instalments. Types of schemes covered include hire purchase, time payment, budget account, and personal loans relating primarily to financing of retail sales of goods.

AMOUNT FINANCED, BY COMMODITY GROUPS, AND BALANCES OUTSTANDING, BY TYPE OF BUSINESS: AUSTRALIA
(\$ million)

Period	Amount financed during period (excluding hiring charges, interest, insurance, etc.)				Balances outstanding at end of period (including hiring charges, etc.)	
	Motor vehicles, etc.	Plant and machinery	Household and personal goods	Total	Original	Seasonally adjusted
Retail Businesses						
Quarterly average						
1962-63	5.2	0.9	70.4	76.6	425.3	..
1963-64	5.7	0.8	74.5	80.9	416.7	..
1964-65	5.5	0.6	71.8	77.9	395.6	..
1965-66	4.8	0.8	64.8	70.4	359.9	..
1966-67	5.0	1.0	63.7	69.6	339.5	..
Quarterly total						
1965-66—						
December	5.1	0.8	79.9	85.7	390.0	380.3
March	4.8	0.9	51.9	57.6	369.1	369.9
June	4.8	0.7	63.0	68.5	359.9	361.6
1966-67—						
September	5.1	1.1	60.3	66.5	347.8	354.6
December	5.8	1.3	78.5	85.6	362.2	352.9
March	4.5	0.7	51.6	56.9	344.6	345.4
June	4.4	0.8	64.2	69.4	339.5	341.1
1967-68—						
September	4.7	0.8	60.5	66.0	328.3	334.8
December	5.6	0.7	81.7	88.0	343.5	334.6
March						
Non-Retail Finance Businesses						
Quarterly average						
1962-63	110.8	11.8	21.5	144.1	832.5	..
1963-64	126.8	13.2	21.0	161.0	939.2	..
1964-65	140.2	16.3	21.6	178.2	1,054.9	..
1965-66	131.0	17.4	19.6	168.0	1,071.1	..
1966-67	136.3	20.9	20.4	177.7	1,101.8	..
Quarterly total						
1965-66—						
December	134.2	19.3	22.1	175.6	1,093.8	1,076.1
March	121.2	17.5	17.8	156.5	1,074.4	1,079.6
June	126.6	17.5	18.2	162.4	1,071.1	1,081.2
1966-67—						
September	131.3	16.3	19.9	167.5	1,075.2	1,076.7
December	143.3	26.4	22.3	192.0	1,104.0	1,086.6
March	127.2	19.2	19.3	165.8	1,086.1	1,091.5
June	143.4	21.6	20.2	185.3	1,101.8	1,111.7
1967-68—						
September	154.6	18.7	20.3	193.6	1,130.0	1,131.5
December	167.6	26.7	23.9	218.2	1,182.1	1,163.6
March(a)	158.5	21.3	21.9	201.7	1,195.3	1,201.3

(a) Preliminary estimates.

INSTALMENT CREDIT FOR RETAIL SALES

AMOUNT FINANCED, BY COMMODITY GROUPS, AND BALANCES OUTSTANDING, BY TYPE OF BUSINESS: AUSTRALIA—*continued*
(\$ million)

Period	Amount financed during period (excluding hiring charges, interest, insurance, etc.)				Balances outstanding at end of period (including hiring charges, etc.)	
	Motor vehicles, etc.	Plant and machinery	Household and personal goods	Total	Original	Seasonally adjusted
All Businesses						
Quarterly average						
1962-63	116.1	12.7	91.9	220.7	1,257.7	..
1963-64	132.4	14.0	95.5	241.9	1,355.9	..
1964-65	145.7	17.0	93.4	256.1	1,450.5	..
1965-66	135.8	18.2	84.4	238.4	1,431.1	..
1966-67	141.3	21.9	84.1	247.3	1,441.3	..
Quarterly total						
1965-66—December	139.3	20.1	102.0	261.3	1,483.9	1,456.4
March	126.0	18.3	69.7	214.0	1,443.6	1,449.5
June	131.4	18.2	81.2	230.8	1,431.1	1,442.8
1966-67—September	136.3	17.4	80.2	234.0	1,422.9	1,431.3
December	149.1	27.6	100.8	277.6	1,466.2	1,439.5
March	131.7	20.0	71.0	222.7	1,430.7	1,436.9
June	147.9	22.4	84.4	254.7	1,441.3	1,452.8
1967-68—September	159.3	19.5	80.8	259.6	1,458.3	1,466.3
December	173.2	27.3	105.6	306.2	1,525.6	1,498.2
March						

BALANCES OUTSTANDING(a) BY TYPE OF BUSINESS: STATES
(\$ million)

At—	New South Wales(b)	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia(c)	Western Australia	Tasmania	Australia
Retail Businesses							
31 December 1966	157.5	91.3	48.5	30.2	27.2	7.5	362.2
31 March 1967	149.5	86.8	46.7	28.6	25.8	7.2	344.6
30 June 1967	146.9	86.2	46.0	27.7	25.5	7.1	339.5
30 September 1967	142.8	82.0	44.8	26.5	25.4	6.8	328.3
31 December 1967	152.0	84.7	46.8	26.5	26.7	6.8	343.5
31 March 1968							
Non-Retail Finance Businesses							
31 December 1966	417.9	254.2	191.3	102.4	100.0	38.3	1,104.0
31 March 1967	412.2	250.7	188.7	100.6	95.6	38.4	1,086.1
30 June 1967	415.4	254.4	190.8	101.1	101.4	38.8	1,101.8
30 September 1967	422.1	263.7	194.3	102.4	108.1	39.5	1,130.0
31 December 1967	440.2	276.2	201.6	105.4	117.7	40.9	1,182.1
31 March 1968	445.4	280.9	202.8	106.8	117.5	41.8	1,195.3
All Businesses							
31 December 1966	575.4	345.6	239.7	132.5	127.3	45.8	1,466.2
31 March 1967	561.7	337.5	235.4	129.1	121.4	45.6	1,430.7
30 June 1967	562.4	340.6	236.8	128.7	126.9	45.9	1,441.3
30 September 1967	565.0	345.7	239.1	128.9	133.4	46.2	1,458.3
31 December 1967	592.2	361.0	248.4	131.9	144.5	47.7	1,525.6
31 March 1968							

(a) Includes hiring charges, interest, insurance, etc.

(b) Includes Australian Capital Territory.

(c) Includes Northern Territory.

INSTALMENT CREDIT FOR RETAIL SALES

AMOUNT FINANCED, BY COMMODITY GROUPS, COLLECTIONS AND BALANCES OUTSTANDING: AUSTRALIA

Non-Retail Finance Businesses

(\$ million)

Period	Amount financed during period(a)					Collections during period(b)	Balances outstanding at end of period(b)	
	Motor vehicles, etc.		Plant and machinery	Household and personal goods	Total		Original	Seasonally adjusted
	New	Used						
Monthly average								
1958-59	29.4		2.6	10.4	42.4	n.a.	676.7	..
1959-60	36.4		3.1	11.0	50.5	52.8	813.6	..
1960-61	31.0		3.5	8.9	43.4	56.7	803.5	..
1961-62	14.7	14.1	3.5	7.1	39.4	45.0	756.3	..
1962-63	17.9	19.1	3.9	7.2	48.0	54.6	832.5	..
1963-64	21.1	21.2	4.4	7.0	53.7	58.6	939.2	..
1964-65	24.1	22.7	5.5	7.2	59.4	63.9	1,054.9	..
1965-66	22.6	21.0	5.8	6.5	56.0	68.2	1,071.1	..
1966-67	23.0	22.4	7.0	6.8	59.2	70.9	1,101.8	..
Monthly total								
1966-66—								
January	17.9	18.3	4.9	6.1	47.3	62.8	1,089.9	1,075.3
February	19.7	18.2	5.4	5.5	48.8	71.3	1,078.9	1,077.2
March	25.2	21.9	7.2	6.1	60.4	79.5	1,074.4	1,079.6
April	22.7	18.4	5.9	5.4	52.4	64.1	1,075.2	1,082.3
May	23.6	21.0	6.0	6.3	57.0	71.7	1,075.9	1,083.1
June	20.2	20.7	5.6	6.4	53.0	70.0	1,071.1	1,081.2
1966-67—								
July	20.0	19.6	5.9	6.0	51.4	65.0	1,072.2	1,081.8
August	22.5	23.7	5.9	7.2	59.3	73.4	1,072.2	1,077.9
September	22.3	23.1	4.6	6.6	56.7	67.6	1,075.2	1,076.7
October	24.3	21.9	8.0	6.7	60.9	67.9	1,081.0	1,078.7
November	26.1	23.9	10.9	7.3	68.1	70.3	1,093.1	1,082.5
December	23.7	23.4	7.5	8.3	63.0	69.3	1,104.0	1,086.6
January	20.0	21.6	6.1	6.8	54.5	68.0	1,104.1	1,089.8
February	19.5	19.7	6.9	6.2	52.3	77.1	1,091.3	1,090.2
March	24.2	22.1	6.3	6.4	58.9	78.9	1,086.1	1,091.5
April	22.7	21.3	7.4	6.2	57.6	67.7	1,090.4	1,097.5
May	26.2	24.7	7.3	7.2	65.4	75.4	1,096.5	1,103.5
June	24.6	24.0	7.0	6.8	62.3	69.8	1,101.8	1,111.7
1967-68—								
July	24.3	22.9	6.5	6.5	60.1	72.9	1,106.7	1,116.4
August	28.2	27.1	6.6	7.0	68.9	73.3	1,119.0	1,124.8
September	27.7	24.4	5.6	6.8	64.5	68.9	1,130.0	1,131.5
October	29.6	27.3	8.7	7.5	73.0	74.7	1,147.4	1,144.9
November	30.6	27.3	10.8	8.0	76.7	74.3	1,168.2	1,156.9
December	29.2	23.6	7.2	8.5	68.5	70.3	1,182.1	1,163.6
January (c)	26.6	25.2	6.7	7.2	65.7	72.6	1,191.7	1,176.4
February (c)	27.2	25.1	7.4	7.4	67.1	86.1	1,189.3	1,187.5
March	29.0	25.5	7.3	7.3	69.0	80.3	(d)1,195.3	(d)1,201.3

(a) Excludes hiring charges, interest, insurance, etc. (b) Includes hiring charges, interest, insurance, etc. (c) Preliminary estimates.
(d) Provisional estimate, April 1968, \$m 1,204 (original), \$m 1,210 (seasonally adjusted).

WHOLESALE TRADE

An indication of fluctuations in the value of wholesale trade is given by the returns made under the Sales Tax Acts. With certain specified exemptions, goods sold by wholesale in Australia including imports are taxable. The returns do not relate to all wholesale trades as vendors trading only in exempt goods are not required to furnish returns. They do not necessarily cover a constant proportion of all trade. The effects of legislation and administrative changes on the recorded values of taxable and exempt goods respectively are somewhat uncertain but total recorded sales are affected in smaller degrees. Insufficient information is available to enable adjustment to be made to the crude figures on this account.

(\$ million)

Period	Net sales recorded										
	Taxable goods	Exempt goods	Total								
Monthly average											
1957-58	141.6	350.9	492.5								
1958-59	148.4	358.7	507.1								
1959-60	170.0	392.4	562.4								
1960-61	173.4	407.9	581.3								
1961-62	175.0	402.6	577.6								
1962-63	191.9	437.8	629.7								
1963-64	199.4	509.7	709.1								
1964-65	215.7	568.2	784.0								
1965-66	220.4	592.6	813.0								
1966-67	236.5	650.2	886.7								
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	2½%	12½%	25%								
Monthly total											
1965-66—											
January	30.6	93.3	41.3								
February	37.6	104.1	52.2								
March	43.5	121.9	59.3								
April	37.0	106.7	55.4								
May	46.1	114.6	63.7								
June	41.3	111.3	55.6								
1966-67—											
July	41.6	112.5	56.3								
August	53.9	138.0	63.4								
September	53.5	130.8	60.2								
October	53.8	124.1	70.1								
November	64.3	141.4	70.8								
December	68.2	137.4	70.5								
January	35.5	97.6	49.2								
February	46.5	115.6	54.6								
March	49.0	123.8	64.3								
April	49.7	115.6	57.8								
May	51.9	124.5	65.3								
June	47.4	118.3	60.7								
1967-68—											
July	47.1	121.5	60.8								
August	58.6	138.4	68.5								
September	54.9	133.5	65.0								
October	59.2	143.5	76.3								
November	69.0	148.3	76.4								
December r	67.7	142.7	76.1								
January (a)	40.8	108.8	55.4								
February (a)											

(a) Preliminary and partly estimated.

IMPORTS OF MERCHANDISE: ECONOMIC CLASS

(\$'000 f.o.b. port of shipment)

Period	Producers' materials for use in—								Fuels and lubricants (d)		Auxiliary aids to production (e)		Munitions and war stores			
	Building and construction	Rural industries	Manufacturing				Total (c)									
			Motor vehicle assembly (a) (b)	Other (c)												
	Class I. A		Class I. B		Class I. C (5)		Class I. C (1-4)		Class I.		Class II.		Class III.		Class VII.	
		%		%		%		%		%		%		%		%
Monthly average																
1957-58	3,856	2.9	1,476	1.1	9,502	7.2	54,230	41.3	69,064	52.5	4,052	3.1	4,446	3.4	1,352	1.0
1958-59	3,798	2.9	1,340	1.0	10,354	7.8	53,384	40.4	68,876	52.1	4,536	3.4	4,408	3.3	1,442	1.1
1959-60	5,378	3.5	1,338	0.9	13,184	8.6	61,160	39.7	81,060	52.7	4,356	2.8	4,850	3.1	2,070	1.3
1960-61	6,866	3.8	1,956	1.1	14,284	7.9	73,798	40.7	96,904	53.5	4,444	2.5	6,424	3.6	1,302	0.7
1961-62	4,558	3.1	2,044	1.4	8,124	5.5	57,706	39.3	72,432	49.3	4,280	2.9	5,164	3.5	1,592	1.1
1962-63	5,614	3.1	2,080	1.2	15,990	8.9	68,536	38.1	92,220	51.3	5,064	2.8	5,754	3.2	1,192	0.7
1963-64	6,416	3.3	2,706	1.4	17,376	8.8	75,092	38.0	101,590	51.5	4,800	2.4	6,018	3.0	2,312	1.2
1964-65	8,342	3.5	3,428	1.4	19,116	8.1	90,446	38.2	121,332	51.2	4,518	1.9	7,020	3.0	4,479	1.9
1965-66	7,808	3.2	3,363	1.4	17,321	7.2	84,651	35.0	113,143	46.8	4,032	1.7	7,706	3.2	7,159	3.0
1966-67	7,228	2.9	4,559	1.8	15,175	6.1	88,910	35.5	115,872	46.3	2,566	1.0	8,051	3.2	9,886	4.0
Monthly total																
1965-66—																
March	6,690	2.5	3,485	1.3	15,946	6.0	81,978	30.7	108,099	40.5	2,094	0.8	8,075	3.0	142,708	16.0
April	7,901	3.5	2,896	1.3	13,894	6.2	80,056	35.7	104,747	46.7	2,466	1.1	6,089	2.8	4,279	1.9
May	7,298	3.3	3,847	1.8	15,094	6.9	74,529	34.1	100,768	46.1	4,146	1.9	7,177	3.3	4,461	2.0
June	6,833	3.0	3,300	1.5	17,195	7.5	82,424	36.1	109,752	48.1	4,513	2.0	6,414	2.8	6,519	2.9
1966-67—																
July	6,447	3.2	4,381	2.1	13,070	6.4	74,638	36.7	98,536	48.4	3,364	1.7	6,627	3.3	3,897	1.9
August	8,485	3.0	4,605	1.6	20,739	7.3	95,241	33.5	129,070	45.4	3,370	1.2	9,574	3.4	7,202	2.5
September	6,490	2.3	4,548	1.6	17,924	6.3	88,700	31.2	117,662	41.4	2,172	0.8	9,172	3.2	g45,145	15.9
October	7,008	3.1	4,493	2.0	10,213	4.6	82,303	36.7	104,017	46.4	2,647	1.2	9,421	4.2	3,798	1.7
November	7,734	3.2	5,623	2.3	12,111	5.0	89,017	36.4	114,485	46.9	3,261	1.3	7,005	2.9	5,741	2.4
December	6,336	2.8	2,852	1.3	12,843	5.7	76,609	34.3	98,640	44.1	2,958	1.3	6,461	2.9	5,091	2.3
January	6,881	2.5	6,159	2.3	15,927	5.8	100,000	36.4	128,967	47.0	2,892	1.0	13,140	4.8	10,817	3.9
February	7,194	3.1	5,970	2.6	10,724	4.7	89,800	39.1	113,688	49.5	1,640	0.7	6,205	2.7	3,227	1.4
March	6,593	2.7	5,138	2.1	16,457	6.6	89,307	36.2	117,495	47.6	1,370	0.6	6,946	2.8	6,150	2.5
April	7,481	2.9	3,962	1.5	17,426	6.6	90,207	34.4	119,076	45.4	2,042	0.8	7,606	2.9	8,510	3.3
May	8,608	3.3	3,007	1.2	19,047	7.3	94,490	36.2	125,152	48.0	2,203	0.9	7,685	2.9	3,640	1.4
June	7,485	2.8	3,968	1.5	15,615	5.9	96,612	36.3	123,680	46.5	2,869	1.1	6,768	2.5	15,411	5.8
1967-68p—																
July	7,770	3.3	4,874	2.1	17,953	7.8	79,834	34.3	110,431	47.5	2,596	1.1	7,764	3.3	3,598	1.6
August	8,106	2.6	4,775	1.6	22,984	7.4	102,280	33.0	138,145	44.6	1,869	0.6	8,524	2.7	19,397	6.3
September	7,893	2.9	5,095	1.8	20,631	7.6	93,677	34.4	127,296	46.7	2,518	0.9	7,094	2.6	5,046	1.9
October	7,903	3.0	4,982	1.9	12,633	4.8	97,610	37.4	123,128	47.1	1,939	0.7	6,950	2.7	8,767	3.3
November	8,124	3.1	6,435	2.4	12,166	4.6	91,374	34.5	118,099	44.6	1,044	0.4	5,691	2.1	18,954	7.2
December	6,951	3.4	3,801	1.9	11,616	5.7	77,597	38.3	99,965	49.3	2,715	1.3	4,816	2.4	4,226	2.1
January	8,035	2.9	4,286	1.6	21,547	7.9	97,065	35.6	130,933	48.0	2,093	0.8	6,642	2.4	10,748	3.9
February	9,580	3.4	5,647	2.0	21,461	7.6	98,009	34.9	134,697	47.9	2,101	0.8	7,048	2.5	8,807	3.1
March	8,942	3.2	5,146	1.8	20,167	7.2	96,474	34.2	130,729	46.4	2,115	0.8	7,386	2.6	6,034	2.1
April																

(a) Owing to insufficient information it is not possible to treat unassembled tractors and other machinery in a similar manner to motor vehicles and all such machinery is treated as capital equipment whether imported in an assembled or unassembled condition. (b) Includes replacement parts, completely knocked-down vehicles and components for the assembly of motor vehicles. (c) Excludes a percentage for piece-goods to be sold by retail and paper to be used solely for wrapping which are recorded in classes VI, E-J and III, respectively. (d) Excludes crude petroleum which is included in class I, C, (1-4). (e) Includes a percentage for paper used solely for wrapping, see note (c). (f) Includes H.M.A.S. 'Perth'. (g) Includes H.M.A.S. 'Hobart'.

IMPORTS OF MERCHANDISE: ECONOMIC CLASS

(\$'000 f.o.b. port of shipment)

Period	Capital equipment						Finished consumer goods							
	Producers' equipment		Transport equipment				Food, beverages and tobacco		Clothing and accessories		All other (a)		Total (a)	
			Complete road vehicles and assembled chassis(b)		Railway equipment, vessels and civil aircraft									
Class IV.		Class V. B		Class V. A, C, D		Class VI. A, B, C		Class VI. D		Class VI. E-J		Class VI.		
Monthly average		%		%		%		%		%		%		%
1957-58	24,080	18.2	2,094	1.6	2,706	2.1	5,046	3.8	858	0.7	17,846	13.6	23,750	18.1
1958-59	23,226	17.5	1,902	1.4	4,440	3.4	5,398	4.1	794	0.6	17,390	13.1	23,582	17.8
1959-60	27,660	17.9	2,126	1.4	4,906	3.2	6,116	4.0	930	0.6	20,032	13.0	27,078	17.6
1960-61	33,068	18.3	2,876	1.6	3,430	1.9	6,940	3.8	1,300	0.7	24,200	13.4	32,440	17.9
1961-62	28,330	19.3	2,070	1.4	3,150	2.1	6,604	4.5	1,054	0.7	22,416	15.2	30,074	20.4
1962-63	34,488	19.2	3,862	2.1	3,118	1.7	6,834	3.8	1,212	0.7	26,054	14.5	34,100	19.0
1963-64	39,274	19.9	4,740	2.4	3,270	1.7	7,648	3.9	1,394	0.7	26,276	13.3	35,318	17.9
1964-65	49,734	21.0	6,662	2.8	5,917	2.5	8,572	3.6	1,660	0.7	26,920	11.4	37,152	15.7
1965-66	55,966	23.1	6,223	2.6	7,689	3.2	9,131	3.8	1,763	0.7	28,712	11.9	39,606	16.4
1966-67	55,327	22.1	6,243	2.5	9,226	3.7	9,125	3.6	2,039	0.8	31,995	12.8	43,159	17.2
Monthly total														
1965-66—														
March	55,250	20.7	6,694	2.5	5,952	2.2	9,710	3.6	2,240	0.9	26,220	9.8	38,170	14.3
April	57,526	25.6	5,318	2.4	7,061	3.1	8,562	3.8	1,451	0.6	26,849	12.0	36,862	16.4
May	53,500	24.5	5,916	2.7	7,354	3.4	7,092	3.3	1,186	0.5	26,906	12.3	35,184	16.1
June	52,520	23.0	7,104	3.1	6,241	2.7	7,096	3.1	1,148	0.5	26,797	11.8	35,041	15.4
1966-67—														
July	46,936	23.1	4,407	2.2	5,957	2.9	7,340	3.6	1,372	0.7	24,924	12.2	33,636	16.5
August	65,000	22.8	7,001	2.5	15,405	5.4	8,775	3.1	2,704	0.9	36,356	12.8	47,835	16.8
September	52,640	18.5	5,845	2.1	6,900	2.4	8,799	3.1	1,894	0.7	33,851	11.9	44,544	15.7
October	48,638	21.6	4,871	2.2	8,783	3.9	9,678	4.3	1,358	0.6	31,130	13.9	42,166	18.8
November	53,492	21.9	6,182	2.5	8,565	3.5	10,390	4.2	1,386	0.6	33,750	13.8	45,526	18.6
December	56,972	25.5	4,731	2.1	4,651	2.1	7,614	3.4	1,568	0.7	34,780	15.6	43,962	19.7
January	57,001	20.8	7,059	2.6	7,646	2.8	11,323	4.1	3,084	1.1	32,521	11.9	46,928	17.1
February	49,187	21.4	6,395	2.8	8,562	3.7	9,524	4.1	2,568	1.1	28,909	12.6	41,001	17.8
March	56,130	22.8	7,250	2.9	7,275	2.9	9,848	4.0	2,907	1.2	31,345	12.7	44,100	17.9
April	62,548	23.9	6,399	2.4	14,803	5.6	9,108	3.5	2,020	0.8	30,035	11.4	41,163	15.7
May	59,181	22.7	7,487	2.9	12,363	4.7	8,079	3.1	1,860	0.7	33,114	12.7	43,053	16.5
June	56,205	21.1	7,294	2.8	9,808	3.7	9,026	3.4	1,746	0.6	33,223	12.5	43,995	16.5
1967-68p—														
July	54,057	23.2	5,715	2.5	6,840	2.9	7,886	3.4	2,357	1.0	31,413	13.5	41,656	17.9
August	68,972	22.2	7,821	2.5	10,794	3.5	9,896	3.2	3,371	1.1	41,274	13.3	54,541	17.6
September	58,528	21.5	7,088	2.6	15,836	5.8	8,726	3.2	2,938	1.1	37,409	13.7	49,073	18.0
October	59,080	22.6	6,273	2.4	5,027	1.9	11,079	4.2	2,316	0.9	37,035	14.2	50,430	19.3
November	50,816	19.2	6,037	2.3	12,442	4.7	10,688	4.0	2,100	0.8	39,034	14.7	51,822	19.5
December	42,907	21.2	5,428	2.7	6,376	3.1	7,713	3.8	2,208	1.1	26,340	13.0	36,261	17.9
January	61,314	22.4	8,216	3.0	5,807	2.1	10,078	3.7	2,892	1.0	34,156	12.5	47,126	17.2
February	63,630	22.6	8,147	2.9	6,483	2.3	9,742	3.5	3,288	1.2	37,209	13.2	50,239	17.9
March	67,028	23.8	8,258	2.9	13,227	4.7	9,778	3.5	3,195	1.1	34,132	12.1	47,105	16.7
April														

(a) Includes a percentage of piece-goods to be sold by retail, see note (c), page 19.
for the assembly of motor vehicles and replacement parts are recorded in class I.C. (5)

(b) Completely knocked-down vehicles, components

IMPORTS OF MERCHANDISE: DEGREE OF MANUFACTURE

(f.o.b. port of shipment)

Period	Producers' materials (class I.) (a)			Finished consumer goods (class VI.) (b)			Total imports of merchandise (all classes)				Total imports	
	Crude	Simply transformed	Elaborately transformed	Crude	Simply transformed	Elaborately transformed	Crude	Simply transformed	Elaborately transformed	Total	Original	Seasonally adjusted
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$m	\$m
Monthly average												
1957-58	23,126	11,002	34,936	1,200	2,718	19,832	24,326	20,178	87,040	131,544	132	..
1958-59	23,256	9,908	35,712	1,130	3,100	19,352	24,386	19,922	88,104	132,412	133	..
1959-60	25,668	12,062	43,348	1,392	3,074	22,612	27,060	22,262	104,784	154,106	155	..
1960-61	26,790	14,754	55,378	1,570	3,142	27,694	28,360	25,566	126,962	180,888	181	..
1961-62	23,408	11,174	37,940	1,466	3,016	25,594	24,874	20,988	101,230	147,092	147	..
1962-63	26,358	14,726	51,206	1,566	3,104	29,430	27,924	26,102	125,772	179,798	180	..
1963-64	29,032	15,670	57,076	2,128	3,090	30,116	31,160	27,040	139,122	197,322	198	..
1964-65	31,230	21,378	68,724	2,214	3,618	31,320	33,444	33,546	169,826	236,816	242	..
1965-66	31,350	16,913	64,881	2,483	3,665	33,458	33,833	28,585	179,106	241,524	245	..
1966-67	33,797	17,689	64,386	2,370	3,539	37,250	36,167	27,976	186,187	250,330	254	..
Monthly total												
1965-66—												
March	31,439	15,351	61,310	2,339	4,334	31,496	33,778	25,781	207,483	267,042	270	248
April	28,990	17,126	58,630	2,735	3,761	30,366	31,725	27,017	165,606	224,348	227	245
May	27,600	15,330	57,836	2,030	3,251	29,903	29,630	26,269	162,607	218,506	222	222
June	31,144	17,206	61,401	2,158	2,980	29,902	33,302	28,552	166,250	228,104	231	224
1966-67—												
July	29,130	14,457	54,949	1,905	3,538	28,193	31,035	24,732	147,593	203,360	206	224
August	34,121	19,351	75,598	2,570	3,121	42,144	36,691	30,805	216,961	284,457	289	263
September	35,228	16,891	65,543	2,075	3,232	39,237	37,303	26,549	220,228	284,080	287	272
October	34,273	16,355	53,389	2,334	3,884	35,948	36,607	28,313	159,421	224,341	228	238
November	33,823	18,230	62,432	2,316	3,797	39,413	36,139	29,110	179,008	244,257	249	245
December	30,238	14,756	53,646	2,351	2,065	39,546	32,589	23,432	167,445	223,466	226	238
January	35,705	19,428	73,834	2,636	4,269	40,023	38,341	30,893	205,216	274,450	279	263
February	35,749	17,228	60,711	2,810	3,278	34,913	38,559	25,687	165,659	229,905	233	257
March	34,543	18,650	64,302	2,342	4,078	37,680	36,885	28,262	181,569	246,716	250	262
April	35,965	18,858	64,252	2,358	4,048	34,757	38,323	29,063	194,761	262,147	265	263
May	34,923	18,726	71,503	2,089	3,021	37,943	37,012	28,356	195,396	260,764	264	259
June	31,867	19,340	72,473	2,658	4,138	37,199	34,525	30,513	200,992	266,030	269	262
1967-68p—												
July	30,191	15,704	64,536	2,218	2,884	36,554	32,409	25,065	175,185	232,659	236	255
August	32,613	19,719	85,813	2,508	4,055	47,978	35,121	31,114	243,828	310,063	314	276
September	33,703	19,460	74,133	2,035	3,690	43,348	35,738	30,149	206,592	272,479	276	274
October	34,595	18,932	69,601	2,491	3,978	43,961	37,086	29,029	195,479	261,594	265	272
November	38,709	15,573	63,817	2,432	4,282	45,108	41,141	24,588	199,176	264,905	271	260
December	28,507	16,637	54,821	1,566	2,510	32,185	30,073	24,928	147,693	202,694	208	233
January	34,164	19,266	77,503	2,190	3,725	41,211	36,354	29,603	206,922	272,879	276	256
February	38,143	17,098	79,456	2,187	3,309	44,743	40,330	27,145	213,677	281,152	286	294
March	32,046	20,091	78,592	2,202	4,661	40,242	34,248	31,467	216,167	281,882	286	283
April											252	263

(a) See footnote (c), page 19. (b) See footnote (a), page 20.

Note. Class II. consists entirely of goods 'simply transformed' and classes IV., V. and VII. entirely of goods 'more elaborately transformed'. Class III. is about equally divided between goods 'simply' and 'more elaborately transformed'.

EXPORTS OF MERCHANDISE: PRINCIPAL COMMODITIES

(f.o.b. port of shipment)

Period	Meats	Butter	Wheat and flour	Fresh fruits	Dried fruits	Sugar and sugar syrups	Hides and skins	Wool	Lead	Total exports of merchandise	Total exports	
											Original	Seasonally adjusted
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$m	\$m
Monthly average												
1957-58	9,204	2,606	7,140	2,178	1,524	5,838	4,232	62,232	3,658	135,050	136	..
1958-59	16,200	4,158	8,618	1,570	2,124	5,374	3,928	50,374	3,160	134,432	135	..
1959-60	14,772	4,674	12,804	1,550	1,512	4,456	5,296	64,360	2,716	154,326	156	..
1960-61	12,044	3,276	20,234	1,728	1,516	5,860	4,532	55,742	2,722	154,674	161	..
1961-62	14,944	3,924	26,768	2,228	1,726	5,656	5,358	62,088	3,150	177,980	180	..
1962-63	18,810	3,968	20,692	2,500	1,590	7,588	6,146	63,272	2,930	178,172	179	..
1963-64	20,292	4,560	33,688	2,764	1,756	13,042	7,644	80,080	4,200	230,192	232	..
1964-65	23,891	5,180	27,873	2,552	2,013	9,390	6,692	67,256	5,213	214,931	221	..
1965-66	23,979	4,166	24,068	3,152	2,370	7,827	7,431	65,404	5,663	219,461	227	..
1966-67	23,235	4,591	32,025	2,323	1,932	8,295	7,384	67,212	4,527	244,549	252	..
Monthly total												
1965-66—												
March	23,152	2,758	18,176	3,389	581	2,176	7,413	80,691	5,583	224,049	232	220
April	22,698	1,497	19,925	7,504	664	4,062	7,254	65,265	3,104	200,831	209	224
May	32,790	2,815	20,785	12,276	2,143	4,369	10,565	62,803	4,529	247,010	255	240
June	35,377	1,737	23,115	8,088	2,665	6,873	10,559	69,875	5,869	251,054	260	251
1966-67—												
July	27,324	1,582	17,991	1,039	3,009	6,259	9,095	61,318	5,451	219,578	226	243
August	32,796	4,315	22,987	975	2,998	17,930	11,924	52,965	5,406	240,133	245	266
September	30,528	5,071	18,110	835	3,348	20,418	9,005	49,241	5,932	238,601	246	252
October	23,913	6,595	21,456	573	2,664	7,468	9,059	65,388	4,042	237,388	244	248
November	22,304	8,431	23,659	670	1,069	8,034	7,136	85,944	4,407	250,752	259	233
December	17,565	4,094	22,182	308	1,072	2,538	6,869	74,068	3,670	219,648	228	231
January	20,533	8,005	40,721	184	1,114	3,011	6,062	82,046	4,119	250,925	256	253
February	17,427	5,168	51,652	269	991	7,384	6,388	69,557	3,766	254,459	260	265
March	18,677	3,968	35,560	1,849	701	4,747	5,074	67,315	3,884	233,844	239	251
April	19,346	3,579	47,476	6,173	892	9,288	5,084	64,200	3,830	257,352	270	275
May	23,410	3,061	42,254	10,053	3,659	4,787	7,131	68,150	6,123	276,678	285	255
June	24,999	1,225	40,252	4,949	1,669	7,677	5,791	66,354	3,691	255,242	264	256
1967-68 p—												
July	19,785	1,307	33,259	1,040	3,859	7,076	5,345	61,715	6,064	239,106	247	264
August	27,877	2,252	36,926	577	3,085	10,280	6,656	43,861	4,667	236,055	248	267
September	21,229	3,411	47,300	575	1,728	10,129	5,711	40,190	6,432	238,836	248	265
October	29,174	6,734	31,715	726	2,626	14,469	6,066	58,263	3,861	256,266	266	258
November	26,423	7,041	40,054	595	1,693	15,953	6,108	74,353	7,023	277,095	284	258
December	21,323	5,240	27,442	445	1,050	5,899	4,973	57,894	4,683	226,581	239	255
January	22,459	3,185	22,633	344	1,018	6,012	4,208	62,518	3,425	208,486	216	204
February	22,812	3,415	37,771	388	1,445	6,612	4,317	67,797	5,819	254,519	262	253
March	21,229	1,982	12,755	1,484	1,361	5,928	4,322	62,458	5,121	229,022	237	248
April	17,806	2,179	24,966	5,264	1,215	4,220	4,738	60,658	1,758	231,239	241	246

EXPORT PRICE INDEX

The table below sets out Export Price Index numbers on the reference base: Year 1959-60=100. A full description of the index and its relationship with the previous index is given in Commonwealth Year Book No. 53, 1967. Index numbers of the previous Export Price Index, converted to the base: Year 1959-60=100 are set out on page 24.

(Base of each index: Year 1959-60=100)

Period	Wool	Meats	Dairy produce	Cereals	Dried and canned fruits	Sugar	Hides and tallow	Metals and coal	Gold	All groups
1959-60	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
1960-61	92	104	82	99	99	101	92	97	100	95
1961-62	97	100	81	106	95	91	84	91	100	96
1962-63	104	101	88	107	90	107	72	89	100	101
1963-64	120	105	93	107	98	175	73	101	100	114
1964-65	102	110	94	107	100	100	91	123	101	105
1965-66	107	120	86	107	102	84	107	122	101	107
1966-67	103	124	84	114	101	67	89	117	101	105
1965-66—										
March	111	126	84	107	101	73	122	126	100	110
April	113	130	84	110	101	72	119	129	101	112
May	113	130	84	110	101	70	111	119	101	111
June	113	127	84	111	101	69	105	124	101	111
1966-67—										
July	113	121	84	113	102	69	105	122	101	110
August	111	117	84	113	102	100	105	122	101	110
September	107	120	84	115	102	86	96	117	101	107
October	102	120	84	113	102	73	88	116	101	104
November	102	119	84	112	102	63	88	116	101	104
December	102	121	84	114	102	64	92	116	101	104
January	100	127	84	114	100	55	92	114	101	103
February	102	129	84	114	100	62	86	115	101	105
March	100	128	84	113	100	60	85	116	101	103
April	100	128	85	113	100	56	80	115	101	103
May	102	128	85	115	100	57	77	113	101	104
June	100	126	85	115	100	59	76	116	101	103
1967-68—										
July	98	p127	85	113	p99	59	72	116	101	p102
August	92	p127	85	112	p99	61	70	117	101	p99
September	92	p126	85	111	p99	73	69	117	101	p99
October	92	p128	85	112	p98	122	68	117	101	p101
November	92	p127	82	108	p99	p72	65	116	101	p98
December	94	p121	75	106	p98	p63	65	123	101	p99
January	94	p126	75	105	p97	p60	65	119	101	p98
February	p98	p124	75	106	p90	p62	66	122	101	p101
March	p98	p121	75	109	p90	p64	66	125	100	p101
April										

EXPORT PRICE INDEX

PREVIOUS EXPORT PRICE INDEX NUMBERS CONVERTED TO BASE: YEAR 1959-60 = 100

(See note at top of page 23)

Year	Wool	Wheat	Butter	Metals	Meats	Sugar	Dried fruits	Tallow	Hides	All groups excl. gold	Gold	All groups
1954-55	127	107	99	119	80	98	77	116	60	115	100	114
1955-56	109	97	102	131	82	100	82	117	65	105	100	105
1956-57	136	98	79	127	85	111	91	118	66	118	100	117
1957-58	111	107	69	93	77	115	98	122	66	102	100	102
1958-59	85	105	73	90	91	105	110	122	92	89	100	90
1959-60	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100

EXPORT PRICE INDEX AND INDEXES OF VALUES OF EXPORTS AND IMPORTS AT CONSTANT PRICES

Period	Export Price Index (Base: Year 1959-60 = 100)		Indexes of Values of Exports and Imports at Constant Prices(a) (Base: Year 1959-60 = 100)					
	All groups excl. gold	All groups	Exports(b)					Imports(b)
			Foodstuffs	Wool and sheepskins	Minerals, metals and metal manufac- tures(c)	Other exports	All exports	All imports
1960-61	94	95	109	97	113	120	105	118
1961-62	96	96	132	102	142	131	120	97
1962-63	101	101	127	99	127	147	117	120
1963-64	114	114	160	106	157	171	137	131
1964-65	105	105	156	102	161	179	135	156
1965-66	107	107	145	102	203	181	136	158
1966-67	105	105	166	104	261	211	154	161
1965-66—								
January	108	108	132	105	184	163	129	155
February	109	109						
March	110	110						
April	112	112	151	99	220	195	141	145
May	111	111						
June	111	111						
1966-67—								
July	111	110	156	82	261	227	143	165
August	110	110						
September	107	107						
October	104	104	140	113	267	213	151	150
November	104	104						
December	104	104						
January	103	103	172	111	237	188	154	161
February	105	105						
March	103	103						
April	103	103	198	108	277	216	169	169
May	104	104						
June	103	103						
1967-68—								
July	p102	p102	(d)	(d)	(d)	(d)	(d)	(d)
August	p99	p99						
September	p99	p99						
October	p101	p101	(d)	(d)	(d)	(d)	(d)	(d)
November	p98	p98						
December	p99	p99						
January	p98	p98	198	108	277	216	169	169
February	p101	p101						
March	p101	p101						
April								

(a) These indexes are calculated largely by a direct revaluation at base year prices of quantities of goods exported and imported, or, where this is impracticable, by dividing values by appropriate price indexes. (b) Excludes gold. (c) Excludes machinery. (d) New series of index numbers, on the base year 1966-67=100, are currently under preparation.

WHOLESALE PRICE (BASIC MATERIALS AND FOODSTUFFS) INDEX

Commodities in this index are priced in their primary or basic form wherever possible. The prices used have, in the main, been obtained directly from manufacturers and merchants. With a few important exceptions they are from Melbourne sources. The weighting system adopted is based on estimates of the average annual consumption of the commodities in Australia during the years 1928-29 to 1934-35 inclusive. Work is proceeding on the preparation of new series of wholesale price index numbers. Meanwhile, the present series continue to be compiled on their existing basis, which has become increasingly affected by changes in usage, changes of category as between 'imported' and 'home-produced' for some commodities, and changes in industrial structure.

(Base of each index: Average of three years ended June 1939 = 100)

Period	Basic materials							Food-stuffs and tobacco	Basic materials and foodstuffs		
	Metals and coal (a)	Oils, fats and waxes	Textiles	Chemicals	Rubber and hides	Building materials	Total		Goods principally imported (b)	Goods principally home produced	Total all groups
1957-58	398	238	437	349	280	453	355	325	301	355	339
1958-59	392	231	362	327	293	423	340	332	283	358	336
1959-60	395	225	403	331	379	431	347	348	281	375	348
1960-61	399	222	387	331	341	439	346	372	278	394	360
1961-62	392	212	400	333	302	439	340	332	270	363	336
1962-63	388	209	432	317	262	439	336	342	272	368	340
1963-64	383	207	484	286	221	473	339	352	275	376	346
1964-65	391	207	427	286	242	503	345	364	277	388	355
1965-66	390	218	432	325	306	507	355	385	280	409	371
1966-67	396	220	419	381	281	511	362	401	283	425	383
1965-66—											
March	391	220	443	348	356	507	361	396	282	421	380
April	390	219	449	348	353	507	361	393	283	418	378
May	387	219	448	348	337	507	359	389	282	414	375
June	389	219	449	348	304	507	358	387	281	413	374
1966-67—											
July	389	220	448	369	303	507	360	395	282	420	379
August	395	220	443	385	309	508	364	403	283	428	385
September	396	221	430	382	295	511	363	402	282	428	385
October	395	220	417	382	273	513	362	400	283	424	382
November	397	220	417	382	280	513	362	400	283	425	383
December	398	218	415	382	295	513	363	399	283	424	382
January	400	218	409	382	280	513	363	397	283	423	382
February	400	219	414	382	269	512	362	396	285	421	381
March	398	219	408	382	277	512	362	402	285	425	384
April	397	219	408	382	278	512	361	400	283	424	382
May	395	220	414	382	268	512	361	402	284	425	383
June	395	220	407	382	241	507	358	418	283	436	391
1967-68—											
July	394	220	400	388	227	509	358	427	284	442	395
August	394	220	381	398	221	510	358	432	284	446	398
September	394	226	380	398	223	510	360	422	287	438	393
October	394	226	380	398	232	511	360	397	287	419	380
November	p395	225	387	398	224	511	p360	396	288	p418	p380
December	p398	225	392	398	204	511	p360	396	287	p419	p380
January	p398	225	393	398	205	511	p361	p396	p287	p419	p380
February	p398	227	p399	398	207	513	p362	p396	p287	p420	p380
March	p399	227	p399	398	218	515	p363	p400	p287	p423	p383
April	p400	227	p399	398	231	519	p364	p419	p288	p439	p394

(a) Special purpose index for the 'Metals and Coal' group excluding Coal and Briquettes: March 1968, 504; April 1968, 507.

(b) Represents only such imported commodities as are included in the Wholesale Price Index and does not measure changes in prices of all imports.

PRICE INDEXES: VARIOUS COUNTRIES

(Source: *Monthly Bulletin of Statistics* of the Statistical Office of the United Nations.)

The index numbers show fluctuations in prices in each country and do not measure relative price levels as between countries.

WHOLESALE PRICE INDEXES

The items priced and the levels at which they are priced in these indexes vary widely according to the intended purposes of the indexes of the various countries. A short dash on each side of an index number (e.g., -101-) indicates that two series have been linked at that period.

(Base of each index: Year 1963 = 100)

Period	Australia	Canada	France	Federal Republic of Germany	Japan	New Zealand	South Africa	United Kingdom	United States of America
1962	98	98	97	100	98	97	99	98	110
1963	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
1964	102	100	102	101	100	105	102	104	100
1965	106	102	103	104	-101-	106	106	104	102
1966	110	106	105	105	103	107	110	108	106
1967	p112	108		104	105	107	112	107	106
Quarter									
1966—									
December	112	107	106	105	104	106	112	107	106
1967—									
March	111	107	106	105	105	106	111	107	106
June	112	108	104	104	105	108	112	105	106
September	115	108	103	104	105	106	113	105	106
December	p111	109		104	106	108	113	110	106
1968—									
March	p111								108

CONSUMER (RETAIL) PRICE INDEXES

(Base of each index: Year 1963 = 100)

Period	Australia (a)	Canada	France	Federal Republic of Germany	Japan (b)	New Zealand	South Africa (c)	United Kingdom	United States of America (d)
1962	100	98	95	97	93	98	99	98	99
1963	-100-	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
1964	102	102	103	102	104	104	103	103	-101-
1965	106	104	106	106	111	-107-	106	108	103
1966	110	108	109	110	116	110	110	113	106
1967	113	112	112	111		117	114	115	109
Quarter									
1966—									
December	111	109	110	110	118	111	112	114	107
1967—									
March	111	110	111	111	117	114	113	114	108
June	113	111	111	111	120	117	114	115	108
September	114	113	112	111	120	118	115	115	110
December	114	114	113	111		118	114	116	110
1968—									
March	115								

(a) Consumer Price Index converted to base: 1963 = 100. to 1964, excluding Alaska and Hawaii.

(b) Prior to 1964, 28 cities only.

(c) White population.

(d) Prior

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

The Consumer Price Index has been compiled for periods from September quarter 1948. A detailed description of the index is contained in Labour Report No. 51, 1964.

GROUP INDEX NUMBERS WEIGHTED AVERAGE OF SIX STATE CAPITAL CITIES (Base of each index: Year 1952-53 = 100.0)(a)

Period	Food	Clothing and drapery	Housing	Household supplies and equipment	Miscellaneous	All groups
1957-58	113.3	107.0	127.3	107.5	119.7	114.2
1958-59	115.4	108.2	130.6	108.7	121.2	116.0
1959-60	119.8	109.4	135.2	109.8	123.9	118.9
1960-61	127.7	111.6	144.8	111.2	127.3	123.8
1961-62	125.5	112.8	150.7	112.7	128.1	124.3
1962-63	124.3	113.2	155.0	112.4	128.8	124.5
1963-64	126.0	114.0	159.6	111.0	129.9	125.7
1964-65	133.0	115.6	165.0	111.9	136.1	130.4
1965-66	139.3	117.0	171.9	113.8	142.5	135.2
1966-67	141.6	119.5	179.3	115.1	148.9	138.8
Quarter						
1962-63—						
December	124.3	113.2	154.7	112.4	128.7	124.4
March	124.1	113.2	155.3	112.1	129.0	124.5
June	124.5	113.4	156.8	112.4	129.2	124.9
1963-64—						
September	125.0	113.7	157.9	110.6	129.7	125.1
December	124.5	113.7	159.0	110.8	129.5	125.0
March	126.0	113.8	159.9	111.1	130.1	125.8
June	128.5	114.6	161.7	111.4	130.3	127.0
1964-65—						
September	130.7	115.0	163.0	110.7	133.1	128.5
December	132.1	115.4	164.4	111.3	136.5	130.0
March	133.1	115.8	165.3	112.5	137.3	130.9
June	135.9	116.3	167.2	112.9	137.3	132.1
1965-66—						
September	139.3	116.3	168.6	113.4	137.8	133.5
December	139.5	116.6	171.4	113.7	142.7	135.2
March	138.4	116.9	172.4	113.7	144.7	135.4
June	139.8	118.0	175.3	114.5	144.8	136.5
1966-67—						
September	139.7	118.2	176.6	114.7	146.9	137.1
December	140.7	119.3	178.4	115.1	148.9	138.4
March	141.6	119.7	179.5	115.0	149.3	138.9
June	144.2	120.8	182.5	115.6	150.4	140.6
1967-68—						
September	148.3	121.2	184.4	115.8	151.5	142.5
December	147.0	122.0	186.7	116.3	153.1	142.9
March	148.0	122.3	187.6	116.4	153.5	143.5

(a) Figures appearing after the decimal point possess little significance for general statistical purposes. They are inserted to avoid distortions that would occur in rounding off the figures to the nearest whole number.

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

See note at top of page 27. The separate city indexes shown below measure price movements within each city individually. They do not compare price levels as between cities.

ALL GROUPS INDEX NUMBERS SIX STATE CAPITAL CITIES AND CANBERRA (Base of each index: Year 1952-53 = 100.0) (a)

Period	State capital cities—separately and combined							Canberra
	Weighted average of six State capital cities	Sydney	Melbourne	Brisbane	Adelaide	Perth	Hobart	
1957-58	114.2	114.5	114.4	114.4	111.9	113.6	117.0	114.0
1958-59	116.0	115.3	116.6	118.2	114.5	114.7	118.7	115.4
1959-60	118.9	117.8	120.0	121.2	118.0	116.9	120.8	117.8
1960-61	123.8	122.1	125.9	125.4	122.9	121.2	127.5	121.4
1961-62	124.3	122.6	126.3	127.3	122.5	121.6	128.1	123.1
1962-63	124.5	123.2	126.2	127.7	122.1	122.2	128.0	123.4
1963-64	125.7	124.5	127.1	129.0	123.5	123.8	129.4	124.3
1964-65	130.4	128.8	132.2	133.9	128.6	127.6	133.6	128.1
1965-66	135.2	133.1	137.1	140.4	132.7	132.5	138.3	131.9
1966-67	138.8	136.3	140.7	144.0	136.9	137.9	141.2	134.5
Quarter								
1962-63—								
December	124.4	123.2	126.2	127.6	121.9	121.7	128.2	123.7
March	124.5	123.3	126.0	127.8	121.9	122.3	128.0	123.2
June	124.9	123.7	126.4	127.9	122.5	122.8	128.2	123.4
1963-64—								
September	125.1	123.7	126.7	128.4	122.8	122.7	128.8	124.1
December	125.0	123.9	126.4	128.2	122.7	123.1	129.0	123.8
March	125.8	124.6	127.1	129.2	123.5	124.2	129.8	124.2
June	127.0	125.8	128.3	130.2	125.1	125.3	130.1	125.1
1964-65—								
September	128.5	127.3	129.6	131.9	126.9	126.6	131.7	126.6
December	130.0	128.4	131.8	133.4	128.6	126.6	133.4	128.0
March	130.9	129.1	132.9	134.6	128.9	128.0	134.0	128.4
June	132.1	130.3	134.4	135.7	129.9	129.3	135.2	129.5
1965-66—								
September	133.5	131.8	135.6	138.3	130.7	130.0	137.0	130.8
December	135.2	133.3	137.2	140.0	132.7	131.7	138.8	132.3
March	135.4	133.3	137.2	141.4	133.1	132.8	138.1	132.0
June	136.5	134.0	138.5	141.7	134.4	135.3	139.3	132.4
1966-67—								
September	137.1	134.7	139.1	142.5	135.0	136.3	139.2	133.0
December	138.4	136.2	140.1	143.6	136.5	136.9	140.1	134.0
March	138.9	136.4	140.7	144.4	137.2	138.3	142.0	134.6
June	140.6	137.8	142.9	145.5	138.9	140.1	143.3	136.2
1967-68—								
September	142.5	139.7	144.8	148.0	140.5	140.7	147.2	137.4
December	142.9	140.3	145.3	148.3	139.7	141.3	148.2	137.7
March	143.5	140.7	146.0	149.4	140.5	142.2	147.6	138.0

(a) Figures appearing after the decimal point possess little significance for general statistical purposes. They are inserted to avoid distortions that would occur in rounding off the figures to the nearest whole number.

SHARE PRICE INDEX

This index relates to ordinary shares of the principal companies (excluding banks) listed on the Sydney Stock Exchange, and whose business in New South Wales is extensive. The prices of individual shares are unweighted and each group average is the mean of the average monthly prices per \$2 of paid-up capital. Adjustments are made for changes in the capital structure of the companies. The total index is the average of all the shares included in the groups with the addition of thirty-four miscellaneous shares.

INDEX OF PRICES OF SHARES ON SYDNEY STOCK EXCHANGE
(Base of each index: Average of 3 years ended June 1939 = 1,000) (a)

Period	Twenty-three manufac- turing and distributing companies	Ten retail companies	Four pastoral and finance companies	Four insurance companies	Total seventy-five companies	Thirty-four active shares included in foregoing
1957-58	2,188	1,972	1,886	2,827	1,836	1,803
1958-59	2,411	2,002	1,597	3,117	1,966	1,978
1959-60	3,188	2,702	2,382	4,245	2,718	2,743
1960-61	3,223	2,866	2,095	4,888	2,787	2,855
1961-62	3,359	2,872	1,915	5,620	2,949	2,932
1962-63	3,278	3,021	2,050	5,922	2,988	2,943
1963-64	3,607	3,186	2,507	6,045	3,254	3,261
1964-65	3,705	2,445	2,438	5,087	3,123	3,126
1965-66	3,327	1,969	1,907	4,677	2,826	2,778
1966-67	3,236	1,831	2,025	4,735	2,844	2,721
1965-66—						
March	3,239	1,965	1,838	4,658	2,814	2,730
April	3,276	1,965	1,851	4,701	2,827	2,751
May	3,242	1,891	1,908	4,696	2,784	2,725
June	3,252	1,871	1,879	4,585	2,786	2,718
1966-67—						
July	3,265	1,942	1,946	4,527	2,859	2,754
August	3,221	1,895	1,975	4,499	2,838	2,712
September	3,143	1,800	1,969	4,640	2,781	2,662
October	3,193	1,770	2,029	4,782	2,800	2,704
November	3,167	1,746	2,058	4,712	2,780	2,646
December	3,209	1,830	2,102	4,790	2,838	2,692
January	3,330	1,948	2,195	4,782	2,939	2,804
February	3,307	1,846	2,137	4,745	2,907	2,759
March	3,245	1,769	2,065	4,817	2,840	2,707
April	3,290	1,782	1,969	4,854	2,855	2,741
May	3,232	1,824	1,918	4,875	2,860	2,749
June	3,226	1,823	1,937	4,800	2,835	2,726
1967-68—						
July	3,369	1,914	1,953	5,018	2,972	2,843
August	3,496	1,943	2,004	5,295	3,132	2,973
September	3,595	1,972	2,049	5,449	3,184	3,033
October	3,705	1,982	1,904	5,578	3,236	3,073
November	3,826	2,049	1,797	5,650	3,330	3,136
December	3,671	2,080	1,827	5,606	3,270	3,038
January	3,724	2,104	1,862	5,727	3,316	3,079
February	3,782	2,140	1,912	5,696	3,423	3,101
March	3,694	2,320	1,876	5,666	3,367	3,062
April	3,846	2,406	1,899	6,035	3,509	3,206

(a) Converted from original base, par values.

WEEKLY WAGE RATES AND HOURS OF WORK: ADULT MALES

End of—	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Australia	
							Rates	Index Nos. (Base: 1954 = 100.0)
Weighted Average Minimum Weekly Rates of Wage(a)								
June—	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	
1956	31.18	30.58	29.22	29.58	30.52	31.19	30.56	108.2
1957	32.40	31.58	30.28	30.64	31.78	31.90	31.67	112.1
1958	32.96	31.91	31.08	31.20	31.95	32.29	32.16	113.9
1959	33.82	33.07	32.68	32.80	32.72	33.32	33.28	117.8
1960	35.65	34.95	34.47	34.18	35.03	34.97	35.09	124.3
1961	36.69	35.05	35.73	34.23	36.24	35.21	35.79	126.7
1962	37.28	36.34	35.98	35.52	36.39	36.28	36.59	129.6
1963	38.02	36.90	36.62	36.27	36.94	36.94	37.25	131.9
1964	40.00	38.88	37.45	38.48	38.08	39.45	39.06	138.3
1965	40.45	39.66	40.88	38.83	39.29	39.86	40.04	141.8
1965—								
December	41.08	40.34	41.66	39.48	40.49	40.73	40.76	144.3
1966—								
January	41.09	40.34	41.66	39.49	40.89	40.75	40.79	144.4
February	41.13	40.37	41.67	39.51	40.94	40.79	40.82	144.5
March	41.14	40.38	41.67	39.56	41.02	40.90	40.84	144.6
April	41.14	40.47	41.74	39.57	41.05	41.04	40.88	144.8
May	41.14	40.48	42.83	39.58	41.31	41.05	41.05	145.4
June	41.14	40.50	42.84	39.59	42.06	41.10	41.11	145.6
July	43.18	42.67	43.27	41.63	42.40	43.18	42.86	151.7
August	43.18	42.67	43.28	41.68	42.97	43.19	42.90	151.9
September	43.20	42.70	43.50	41.74	43.11	43.21	42.96	152.1
October	43.22	42.73	43.51	41.75	43.34	43.21	43.00	152.2
November	43.25	42.73	43.53	41.75	43.35	43.23	43.01	152.3
December	43.27	42.78	43.56	41.75	43.37	43.23	43.04	152.4
1967—								
January	43.82	43.52	43.73	42.35	43.55	43.77	43.57	154.3
February	43.85	43.53	43.75	42.54	43.70	43.85	43.62	154.5
March	44.08	43.55	43.75	42.54	43.80	43.91	43.72	154.8
April	44.09	43.55	44.16	42.54	43.92	43.96	43.79	155.1
May	44.10	43.55	44.27	42.54	43.95	44.05	43.82	155.2
June	44.14	43.58	44.35	42.59	43.99	44.08	43.86	155.3
July	45.17	44.57	45.42	43.67	44.71	45.18	44.87	158.9
August	45.18	44.57	45.48	43.75	44.79	45.18	44.89	159.0
September	45.18	44.57	45.50	43.75	44.93	45.18	44.91	159.0
October	45.19	44.58	45.51	43.77	44.95	45.19	44.92	159.0
November	45.21	44.59	45.51	43.77	45.02	45.19	44.94	159.1
December	45.21	44.59	45.51	43.77	45.04	45.19	44.94	159.1
1968—								
January	45.87	45.32	45.80	44.52	45.11	45.69	45.53	161.2
Weighted Average Standard Weekly Hours of Work(b)								
January 1968	39.95	39.97	39.98	39.96	39.89	39.97	39.96	100.0

(a) For a full week's work (excluding overtime), as prescribed in awards, determinations and agreements. Excludes rural. Rates shown should not be regarded as actual current averages, but as indexes expressed in money terms, indicative of trends. They do not measure the relative level of minimum wages as between States. Figures for July 1966 and subsequent months are subject to revision. (b) Excluding rural, and shipping and stevedoring.

BASIC WAGES: WEEKLY RATES, ADULT MALES

Date Operative(a)	Sydney	Melbourne	Brisbane	Adelaide	Perth	Hobart	Six Capitals
Commonwealth Basic Wages(b) (\$)							
1953—August(c)	24.30	23.50	21.80	23.10	23.60	24.20	23.60
1956—June(d)	25.30	24.50	22.80	24.10	24.60	25.20	24.60
1957—15 May(d)	26.30	25.50	23.80	25.10	25.60	26.20	25.60
1958—21 May(d)	26.80	26.00	24.30	25.60	26.10	26.70	26.10
1959—11 June(d)	28.30	27.50	25.80	27.10	27.60	28.20	27.60
1961—7 July(d)	29.50	28.70	27.00	28.30	28.80	29.40	28.80
1964—19 June(d)	31.50	30.70	29.00	30.30	30.80	31.40	30.80
1966—11 July(d) (g)	33.50	32.70	31.00	32.30	32.80	33.40	32.80
1967—1 July	(g)	(g)	(g)	(g)	(g)	(g)	(g)

State Basic Wages(b)					
Date Operative(a)	Amount	Date Operative(a)	Amount	Date Operative(a)	Amount
New South Wales Basic Wage Sydney Rates		Queensland Basic Wage Brisbane Rates(d)		Western Australian Basic Wage Perth Rates	
	\$		\$		\$
1961—May(e)	29.90	1961—1 May	28.00	1961—30 October	29.88
August	30.20	29 May	28.40	1962—23 January	29.88
November	30.10	1963—6 May	28.60	19 April	29.88
1962—February	30.00	1964—13 July	30.00	20 July	29.88
May	30.00	7 December	30.60	22 October	29.88
August	29.90	1965—29 March	30.90	1963—22 April	30.02
November	30.00	20 September	31.40	29 July	30.15
1963—February	30.10	1966—23 May	32.70	1964—27 April	30.42
May	30.20	1967—10 April (g)	33.20	22 September(d)	30.80
August	30.30	3 July	(g)	26 October	31.12
November	30.30			1965—26 April	31.47
1964—February	30.30			26 July	31.78
May	30.50			16 November	31.96
19 June(f)	31.50			1966—25 January	32.38
1966—11 July(f) (g)	33.50			2 May	32.65
1968—1 January(g)	34.50			2 August	33.26
				24 October (g)	33.50
				1967—1 July	(g)
Victorian Basic Wage Melbourne Rates(f)		South Australian Basic Wage Adelaide Rates		Tasmanian Basic Wage Hobart Rates	
	\$		\$		\$
1961—July	28.70	1961—10 July(f)	28.30	1961—July(f)	29.40
1964—June	30.70	1964—22 June(f)	30.30	1964—19 June(f)	31.40
1966—11 July(g)	32.70	1966—11 July(f)	32.30	1966—11 July(f)	33.40
1967—1 July	(g)	1967—3 July(g)	33.30	1967—July(g)	34.40

(a) Rates are operative from the beginning of the first pay-period commencing in the month shown or commencing on or after the date shown. (b) Basic wage for adult females 75 per cent of adult male rate. (c) Automatic quarterly adjustments in accordance with variations in retail price index numbers discontinued. (d) Rates declared subsequent to an inquiry. (e) Automatic quarterly adjustments in accordance with variations in retail price index numbers, operated until May 1964. (f) Rates same as for Commonwealth basic wage rates. (g) See Special note below.

Special note. The latest **Commonwealth** rates shown in the above table applied before the decision of the Commonwealth Conciliation and Arbitration Commission in June 1967 to eliminate basic wages and margins from its awards and to introduce total wages to operate from the beginning of the first pay-period commencing on or after 1 July 1967. Total wages for adult males and adult females were to be increased by \$1 a week from the same date.

Subsequent to the above increases in Commonwealth awards, **State** award wages were also increased as follows. In **New South Wales** award rates of wages and salaries for adult males and adult females were increased by the addition of a fixed loading of \$1 per week described as 'July 1967 economic loading' to take effect from the beginning of the first pay-period to commence on or after 1 July 1967. Subsequently legislation fixed the basic wage for adult males at \$34.50 per week and for adult females at \$26.10 per week to operate from 1 January 1968. The increase of \$1 in each basic wage absorbed the July 1967 economic loading which was then omitted from awards and agreements. In **Victoria** wage rates for adult males and females in most Wages Board determinations were increased by \$1 a week from 1 July 1967. Basic wages and margins were deleted from determinations and wage rates expressed as total wages. In **Queensland** award rates of pay for both adult males and adult females were increased by \$1 a week to operate from 3 July 1967. In **South Australia** the living (basic) wages for both adult males and adult females were increased by \$1 per week to operate from 3 July 1967. In **Western Australia** the Industrial Commission decided that the minimum weekly wage payable to adult male workers under certain awards would be increased from \$36.55 to \$37.55; that wage rates for adult workers not in receipt of the minimum wage would be increased by 60 cents per week; and that these increases operate from the beginning of the first pay-period commencing on or after 1 July 1967. In **Tasmania** the chairman of the Wages Boards announced on 4 July that a \$1 per week increase in basic wage rates for adult males and adult females would be incorporated in Wages Boards determinations beginning in July 1967.

AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS^(a) PER EMPLOYED MALE UNIT^(b)

The following figures are derived from employment and wages and salaries recorded on pay-roll tax returns, from other direct collections and from estimates of the unrecorded balance. The figures relate to civilians only.

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Period	New South Wales ^(c)	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia ^(d)	Western Australia	Tasmania	Australia	Seasonally adjusted index ^(e)
1957-58	41.00	40.70	35.70	37.70	36.20	38.30	39.50	120.8
1958-59	42.30	42.00	37.20	38.60	36.60	39.20	40.70	124.5
1959-60	45.70	45.50	39.40	41.80	39.20	41.90	43.90	134.3
1960-61	48.10	47.20	41.60	43.40	41.60	43.30	46.00	140.6
1961-62	49.10	48.50	43.20	44.70	43.00	45.30	47.20	144.7
1962-63	50.20	50.10	44.40	45.80	44.20	45.90	48.40	148.3
1963-64	52.60	52.50	46.90	48.20	47.20	48.40	50.90	155.9
1964-65	56.50	56.40	50.40	52.00	49.50	51.00	54.60	167.3
1965-66	58.60	59.20	52.50	53.80	54.10	53.80	57.00	174.6
1966-67	62.40	63.00	55.60	56.90	58.30	57.40	60.70	186.0
Quarter								
1962-63—								
September	48.90	48.90	44.30	45.30	44.10	44.90	47.50	145.3
December	52.50	51.30	46.50	47.40	45.30	45.90	50.20	146.9
March	47.70	48.30	41.80	44.50	42.60	44.50	46.40	149.7
June	51.50	51.90	44.80	46.00	45.00	48.30	49.70	151.3
1963-64—								
September	50.70	51.00	45.70	46.80	46.60	46.40	49.30	150.9
December	55.40	55.80	49.20	50.30	49.80	50.70	53.70	155.4
March	50.00	49.80	44.60	46.50	44.70	46.50	48.40	157.9
June	54.20	53.50	48.00	49.10	47.60	49.90	52.10	159.0
1964-65—								
September	55.00	55.60	49.40	52.20	48.10	49.60	53.50	163.6
December	59.30	58.70	52.50	53.40	51.80	51.90	57.00	165.5
March	54.10	54.10	47.70	50.10	46.40	49.70	52.20	169.7
June	57.70	57.40	51.90	52.30	51.60	52.70	55.80	170.3
1965-66—								
September	58.20	59.20	52.60	54.60	53.10	50.50	56.80	172.4
December	60.30	61.40	55.30	55.30	55.50	56.40	59.00	173.6
March	56.90	55.60	49.20	51.40	52.40	53.10	54.60	175.9
June	58.80	60.50	52.70	53.80	55.30	55.20	57.70	176.4
1966-67—								
September	61.40	62.50	55.20	56.50	57.90	54.90	60.00	182.0
December	63.80	64.80	57.80	57.80	59.50	59.50	62.30	183.8
March	60.30	59.80	53.00	55.30	56.80	55.50	58.30	187.0
June	64.20	65.10	56.50	57.90	59.00	59.50	62.40	190.4
1967-68—								
September	64.80	66.10	58.10	60.00	60.90	59.20	63.40	193
December	67.40	68.60	61.40	61.60	63.80	63.30	66.00	195.3
March	64.00	63.50	55.70	58.80	60.80	58.90	61.90	197.0

(a) Includes, in addition to wages at award rates, earnings of salaried employees, overtime earnings, over-award and bonus payments, payments made in advance or retrospectively during the periods specified, etc. (b) Total wages and salaries, etc., divided by the total number of civilian employees expressed in male units, i.e., total male employees plus 55 per cent of female employees. This proportion is derived from the estimated ratio of female to male earnings in Australia. As it was not possible to estimate the ratio of female to male earnings in the several States, the same ratio has been used for each State. Because the actual ratio may vary between States, precise comparisons between average earnings in different States cannot be made on the basis of the figures above. (c) Includes the Australian Capital Territory. (d) Includes the Northern Territory. (e) All industries—Australia, base 1953-54 = 100. There has been no change in the basis of seasonal adjustment of this series. It has not yet been adjusted by the programs used for other Bureau series.

Note. Quarterly figures are affected by seasonal influences. Comparisons as to trend are generally best made by relating complete years or corresponding periods of incomplete years. However, from December quarter 1963, comparisons with corresponding quarters of earlier years are affected by additional prepayments arising from extensions of annual leave from two to three weeks.

BUILDING APPROVALS(a) : AUSTRALIA

Period	New houses and flats							Other new buildings		Alterations(b) and additions		Total
	Private (c)			Government (c)		Total		Private (c)	Govern-ment (c)	Private (c)	Govern-ment (c)	
	Number(d)		Value	Number (d)	Value	Number* (d)	Value					
	Original	Season-ally adjusted						Value	Number (d)	Value	Number* (d)		Value
			\$'000		\$'000		\$'000	\$'000,	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	Value *
Monthly Average												
1957-58	5,846	..	35,212	1,181	6,346	7,027	41,558	14,386	8,014	8,748	1,578	74,284
1958-59	6,308	..	38,216	1,190	6,376	7,498	44,592	17,278	9,006	9,812	1,940	82,628
1959-60	7,587	..	47,162	1,066	6,062	8,653	53,224	22,502	11,346	11,654	1,894	100,620
1960-61	6,446	..	42,648	1,355	7,418	7,801	50,066	23,894	13,332	11,504	1,562	100,358
1961-62	5,886	..	39,882	1,180	6,666	7,066	46,548	22,794	15,352	11,578	1,440	97,712
1962-63	6,623	..	45,724	1,243	7,004	7,866	52,728	24,926	17,688	13,044	1,310	109,696
1963-64	8,127	..	56,930	1,575	9,278	9,702	66,208	25,844	23,724	14,022	1,324	131,122
1964-65	8,774	..	64,224	1,459	9,636	10,233	73,860	35,078	22,632	15,726	1,990	149,286
1965-66	7,966	..	61,495	1,216	8,243	9,182	69,738	33,392	25,168	14,669	1,596	144,563
1966-67	8,680	..	69,331	1,398	10,135	10,078	79,466	36,356	27,717	10,768	466	154,772
Monthly Total												
1965-66—												
March	9,221	8,285	72,013	1,133	8,455	10,354	80,468	34,945	25,964	15,069	1,638	158,084
April	7,256	8,021	55,895	1,359	9,206	8,615	65,101	17,741	17,201	13,560	1,662	115,265
May	8,919	8,323	69,665	1,360	10,408	10,279	80,073	41,819	17,122	13,289	2,072	154,375
June	8,976	8,416	70,517	1,107	7,762	10,083	78,279	37,560	48,488	16,150	1,585	182,062
1966-67—												
July	8,432	8,385	65,726	1,821	12,242	10,253	77,968	45,186	23,450	9,875	709	157,188
August	9,430	8,257	72,640	2,173	15,940	11,603	88,580	32,980	18,605	11,989	458	152,612
September	9,065	8,362	70,833	1,356	8,383	10,421	79,216	28,170	25,863	10,849	362	144,460
October	9,121	8,906	71,613	2,218	18,544	11,339	90,157	38,075	22,848	11,431	382	162,893
November	9,322	8,809	73,145	1,055	7,088	10,377	80,233	33,217	28,765	12,208	552	154,975
December	7,478	9,028	58,476	1,443	9,557	8,921	68,033	26,894	15,369	8,942	394	119,632
January	6,499	8,390	52,838	858	5,928	7,357	58,766	31,074	50,876	8,676	399	149,791
February	8,738	9,332	68,083	1,037	7,993	9,775	76,076	37,193	24,190	9,835	388	147,682
March	7,928	8,134	65,616	1,053	7,172	8,981	72,788	37,428	20,962	10,813	401	142,392
April	8,708	8,798	72,475	1,137	9,149	9,845	81,624	33,185	27,041	11,195	535	153,580
May	10,081	9,076	83,939	1,679	12,573	11,760	96,512	48,505	37,659	12,344	456	195,476
June	9,357	8,829	76,587	948	7,047	10,305	83,634	44,367	36,973	11,053	559	176,586
1967-68—												
July	9,278	9,085	79,657	929	6,553	10,207	86,210	37,855	22,736	11,006	497	158,304
August	10,781	9,364	87,341	920	6,666	11,701	94,007	35,673	25,211	12,570	642	168,103
September	9,518	9,323	79,574	851	6,921	10,369	86,495	51,365	40,491	11,751	646	190,748
October	10,405	9,697	85,589	1,374	9,509	11,779	95,098	34,740	37,725	12,283	510	180,356
November	10,625	9,976	85,845	1,024	9,200	11,649	95,045	46,868	26,737	12,372	604	181,626
December	8,109	10,275	66,224	1,310	10,164	9,419	76,388	39,421	33,150	9,570	471	159,000
January	8,618	10,770	73,312	762	5,861	9,380	79,173	30,186	45,862	9,498	376	165,095
February	9,466	9,493	79,107	1,380	11,072	10,846	90,179	32,407	31,438	10,704	505	165,233
March	10,369	10,390	84,355	1,345	11,511	11,714	95,866	34,331	40,323	11,312	558	182,390
April	9,597	9,925	82,005	1,091	7,522	10,688	89,527	35,701	38,204	10,856	681	174,969

(a) Includes permits issued by local government authorities and contracts let, work commenced and day labour projects authorised by government authorities. (b) Prior to 1 July 1966 additions of \$10,000 and over are included with new buildings in all States except New South Wales. From 1 July 1966, additions and/or alterations of \$10,000 and over are included with new buildings in all States. (c) Building is classified as 'Private' or 'Government' according to ownership. (d) Number of individual living units.

* Also seasonally adjusted—see pages 34 and 35.

BUILDING APPROVALS

VALUE OF TOTAL BUILDING APPROVED(a)
(Including alterations and additions)

Period	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory	Australian Capital Territory	Australia	
									Original	Seasonally adjusted
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$ m	\$ m
Monthly Average										
1957-58	26,664	22,828	8,828	7,168	4,668	2,224	404	1,500	74.3	..
1958-59	30,852	25,246	9,084	7,822	4,714	2,300	438	2,172	82.6	..
1959-60	38,976	29,986	10,910	8,856	5,778	3,262	624	2,228	100.6	..
1960-61	37,546	27,650	12,236	11,136	6,012	2,544	498	2,736	100.4	..
1961-62	37,570	26,274	10,754	9,448	6,638	3,150	658	3,220	97.7	..
1962-63	40,908	30,740	12,206	10,790	7,172	3,118	806	3,956	109.7	..
1963-64	47,164	36,142	15,382	14,474	10,368	2,876	966	3,750	131.1	..
1964-65	53,764	40,388	18,366	15,442	11,822	3,740	1,524	4,240	149.3	..
1965-66	48,854	42,211	20,586	12,604	11,051	4,072	1,289	3,895	144.6	..
1966-67	53,856	44,636	19,463	10,972	14,433	4,668	1,526	5,218	154.8	..
Monthly Total										
1965-66—										
March	53,397	42,500	26,299	10,878	15,041	3,830	1,883	4,256	158.1	146.6
April	39,199	30,982	18,116	11,300	9,105	2,958	744	2,861	115.3	127.3
May	50,989	50,873	17,498	9,363	14,053	6,352	2,231	3,016	154.4	141.9
June	53,310	52,296	35,405	12,906	15,600	7,975	2,447	2,123	182.1	158.2
1966-67—										
July	48,064	52,936	18,163	14,254	10,712	6,176	523	6,360	157.2	161.9
August	54,696	40,936	16,690	14,737	12,968	2,666	772	9,147	152.6	139.5
September	48,966	41,585	19,511	13,501	12,630	4,812	737	2,718	144.5	125.2
October	49,100	58,510	18,211	8,934	18,370	3,779	2,612	3,377	162.9	160.5
November	56,232	46,071	19,445	9,401	14,907	5,788	544	2,587	155.0	152.6
December	41,405	34,945	16,414	8,007	9,501	2,781	1,844	4,735	119.6	141.6
January	66,406	35,151	22,748	7,219	10,860	1,934	2,016	3,457	149.8	180.0
February	50,342	44,789	16,934	9,662	17,237	2,979	1,987	3,752	147.7	170.4
March	50,721	39,416	22,222	7,773	12,529	6,673	642	2,416	142.4	151.4
April	50,276	45,004	16,954	11,448	13,878	7,224	1,913	6,883	153.6	156.9
May	67,521	55,922	23,213	14,703	20,827	6,962	1,523	4,805	195.5	171.2
June	62,537	40,371	23,048	12,023	18,774	4,238	3,201	12,394	176.6	152.9
1967-68—										
July	48,167	44,531	20,349	15,423	20,679	4,057	823	4,275	158.3	162.3
August	62,254	47,330	19,223	9,548	19,634	4,738	1,040	4,336	168.1	154.8
September	65,567	50,787	31,771	13,193	21,520	3,735	471	3,704	190.7	173.8
October	62,294	49,143	19,057	18,061	17,521	5,260	1,423	7,597	180.4	169.5
November	62,188	51,048	24,400	16,642	16,748	4,147	2,500	3,953	181.6	179.6
December	53,908	48,559	18,543	10,154	17,295	4,858	2,613	3,070	159.0	196.4
January	56,950	27,382	25,266	17,616	23,940	6,540	3,556	3,845	165.1	188.5
February	55,181	39,716	21,101	17,454	18,703	7,083	3,407	2,588	165.2	181.0
March	67,740	48,739	21,991	10,782	22,715	4,405	3,567	2,451	182.4	185.7
April	55,807	48,190	21,815	13,491	20,097	9,194	3,631	2,744	175.0	186.9

(a) See footnote (a) page 33.

BUILDING APPROVALS

NUMBER OF NEW HOUSES AND FLATS APPROVED(a)
(Individual living units)

Period	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory	Australian Capital Territory	Australia	
									Original	Seasonally adjusted
Monthly average										
1957-58	2,505	2,008	907	780	482	212	27	106	7,027	..
1958-59	2,929	2,066	952	708	455	219	31	138	7,498	..
1959-60	3,484	2,422	1,039	777	537	228	37	129	8,653	..
1960-61	3,058	1,966	993	892	510	202	32	148	7,801	..
1961-62	2,720	1,784	896	711	574	220	39	122	7,066	..
1962-63	2,892	2,169	869	898	622	220	35	161	7,866	..
1963-64	3,624	2,670	1,049	1,145	773	234	51	156	9,702	..
1964-65	3,910	2,742	1,240	1,028	781	243	78	211	10,233	..
1965-66	3,271	2,456	1,313	911	767	220	62	182	9,182	..
1966-67	3,527	2,884	1,410	707	954	287	75	234	10,078	..
Monthly total										
1965-66—										
March	3,541	2,979	1,585	734	1,050	223	120	122	10,354	9,566
April	2,691	2,503	1,281	927	730	221	35	227	8,615	9,286
May	3,641	2,944	1,383	846	1,009	219	61	176	10,279	9,374
June	3,745	2,609	1,365	942	832	343	149	98	10,083	9,384
1966-67—										
July	3,573	2,851	1,354	1,321	790	186	11	167	10,253	10,091
August	3,725	3,358	1,566	719	962	210	49	1,014	11,603	10,168
September	3,486	3,233	1,405	920	911	323	16	127	10,421	9,596
October	3,715	3,752	1,347	687	1,106	257	215	260	11,339	10,958
November	3,935	3,005	1,415	751	917	208	11	135	10,377	9,973
December	3,367	2,580	1,244	545	647	209	171	158	8,921	10,335
January	2,920	1,677	1,162	476	783	215	26	98	7,357	10,061
February	3,442	2,821	1,286	584	1,178	228	66	170	9,775	10,723
March	3,240	2,592	1,443	506	765	255	24	156	8,981	9,383
April	3,401	2,662	1,327	553	941	603	154	204	9,845	9,855
May	3,933	3,313	1,974	779	1,147	368	63	183	11,760	10,218
June	3,586	2,764	1,398	641	1,300	383	94	139	10,305	9,596
1967-68—										
July	3,505	3,167	1,248	718	1,045	321	21	182	10,207	10,070
August	4,179	3,548	1,395	597	1,305	415	52	210	11,701	10,240
September	3,901	2,883	1,322	591	1,235	288	17	132	10,369	10,030
October	4,325	3,267	1,419	908	1,242	346	74	198	11,779	10,830
November	4,130	3,737	1,393	717	1,147	312	60	153	11,649	11,226
December	3,344	2,918	1,177	475	1,047	249	113	96	9,419	11,414
January	3,978	2,030	1,204	502	1,189	236	80	161	9,380	12,262
February	4,015	3,243	1,373	513	1,148	209	190	155	10,846	11,325
March	3,944	3,593	1,627	565	1,288	308	277	112	11,714	11,852
April	3,317	3,425	1,273	914	1,193	277	184	105	10,688	11,041

(a) See footnote (a) page 33.

VALUE (WHEN COMPLETED) OF NEW BUILDINGS: AUSTRALIA

(\$ million)

Period	Commenced							Completed			Under construction at end of period		
	Houses and flats	Other		Total		New private buildings		Houses and flats	Other	Total	Houses and flats	Other	Total
		Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted						
Quarterly average													
1962-63	153.0	135.7	..	288.7	..	216.3	..	152.5	134.1	286.6	304.9	579.9	884.8
1963-64	190.8	162.9	..	353.7	..	258.1	..	171.5	136.7	308.2	386.8	694.8	1,081.6
1964-65	215.7	188.4	..	404.1	..	302.2	..	205.7	160.9	366.6	433.1	823.2	1,256.3
1965-66	211.3	193.9	..	405.2	..	302.8	..	217.5	184.4	401.9	418.3	882.1	1,300.4
1966-67	235.9	209.3	..	445.2	..	328.4	..	228.7	204.6	433.3	459.6	923.4	1,383.0
Quarterly total													
1965-66—													
September	225.4	223.3	207.4	448.7	420.0	333.5	314.8	217.7	159.7	377.4	443.3	892.3	1,335.6
December	194.6	177.0	204.0	371.6	403.6	281.1	300.6	233.4	177.3	410.7	407.3	895.3	1,302.6
March	201.9	192.6	190.2	394.5	400.4	300.7	299.8	197.6	200.2	397.7	413.4	893.8	1,307.2
June	223.2	182.9	175.4	406.1	395.7	296.0	296.4	221.2	200.7	421.9	418.3	882.1	1,300.4
1966-67—													
September	233.2	214.4	198.5	447.6	418.5	333.5	313.1	221.0	210.5	431.6	433.4	893.3	1,326.7
December	232.2	168.9	195.8	401.1	437.2	304.5	326.9	250.3	223.1	473.4	418.5	845.9	1,264.4
March	230.9	216.7	213.4	447.6	453.7	342.6	340.1	203.2	194.9	398.1	449.8	872.4	1,322.2
June	247.3	237.0	227.6	484.3	471.6	332.8	334.6	240.2	190.1	430.3	459.6	923.4	1,383.0
1967-68—													
September	267.5	226.7	209.6	494.2	462.2	378.2	354.3	248.2	202.4	450.6	482.4	949.9	1,432.2
December	244.7	193.9	225.0	438.5	478.1	342.7	368.3	276.2	236.1	512.4	452.0	915.5	1,367.5

VALUE OF NEW BUILDINGS COMPLETED

(\$'000)

Period	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory	Australian Capital Territory	Australia
Quarterly average									
1962-63	102,882	83,392	28,174	30,280	21,608	8,532	2,218	9,530	286,616
1963-64	117,920	83,708	33,254	29,576	23,216	8,494	1,990	10,042	308,200
1964-65	132,886	100,570	44,618	38,626	26,774	9,436	2,946	10,746	366,602
1965-66	145,809	103,844	52,326	40,075	32,545	9,920	3,016	14,392	401,927
1966-67	156,489	117,984	54,775	33,805	40,534	12,055	3,311	14,396	433,349
Quarterly total									
1965-66—									
September	129,196	106,108	46,650	43,904	28,720	9,610	2,038	11,156	377,382
December	156,384	101,168	47,169	39,942	31,958	11,393	2,874	19,840	410,728
March	157,527	90,049	49,301	35,361	37,012	8,466	3,654	16,349	397,719
June	140,129	118,050	66,186	41,094	32,488	10,211	3,499	10,221	421,878
1966-67—									
September	153,345	116,374	53,416	33,258	39,965	11,509	3,511	20,178	431,556
December	169,672	138,466	60,919	34,209	37,893	13,133	3,179	15,971	473,442
March	145,051	102,375	49,072	34,533	40,202	12,438	3,802	10,623	398,096
June	157,888	114,728	55,691	33,221	44,075	11,138	2,751	10,810	430,302
1967-68—									
September	157,555	125,991	54,638	34,766	45,394	16,635	2,615	13,024	450,618
December	155,505	146,707	75,733	38,693	54,546	20,141	5,856	15,214	512,395

NUMBER OF NEW HOUSES AND FLATS(a)

Period	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Australia	
									New houses and flats	New private houses and flats

Commenced										
									Original	Seasonally adjusted
Quarterly average										
1962-63	7,969	6,118	2,432	2,573	1,774	642	95	464	22,067	..
1963-64	9,542	7,684	2,873	3,237	2,266	667	140	486	26,895	..
1964-65	10,552	7,955	3,521	3,345	2,299	699	188	618	29,177	..
1965-66	9,259	7,270	3,926	2,736	2,282	603	158	569	26,801	..
1966-67	9,743	8,269	3,992	2,423	2,749	785	218	600	28,779	..
Quarterly total										
1965-66—September .	10,732	7,474	3,917	2,941	2,327	618	79	653	28,741	26,881
December	8,803	6,839	3,547	2,567	1,981	569	140	508	24,954	26,076
March	8,512	6,930	3,708	2,611	2,363	573	201	503	25,401	26,076
June	8,989	7,836	4,530	2,823	2,456	653	210	611	28,108	28,070
1966-67—September .	9,292	8,339	3,838	2,915	2,531	861	187	566	28,529	26,685
December	9,834	8,468	3,612	2,397	2,785	679	302	598	28,675	30,088
March	10,117	7,852	4,092	1,972	2,798	649	206	603	28,289	28,968
June	9,730	8,418	4,426	2,409	2,880	949	179	632	29,623	29,556
1967-68—September .	10,154	9,373	4,284	2,285	3,391	958	276	742	31,463	29,453
December	9,755	8,796	3,388	1,998	3,251	802	130	486	28,606	30,031
March p	9,724	8,660	4,176	2,025	3,724	969	249	672	30,199	30,916

Completed										
Quarterly average										
1962-63	7,836	6,025	2,450	2,583	1,809	650	123	461	21,937	..
1963-64	8,432	6,767	2,740	2,869	2,143	669	84	479	24,183	..
1964-65	9,973	7,874	3,406	3,218	2,322	683	152	535	28,163	..
1965-66	10,192	7,609	3,657	3,052	2,222	620	196	645	28,192	..
1966-67	9,217	8,066	4,074	2,709	2,504	737	121	545	27,973	..
Quarterly total										
1965-66—September .	10,508	7,877	3,371	3,416	2,188	666	107	705	28,838	29,024
December	11,454	8,382	3,718	3,099	2,199	621	172	628	30,273	28,028
March	9,378	6,369	3,367	2,719	2,226	537	249	641	25,486	27,934
June	9,426	7,807	4,170	2,975	2,276	657	254	604	28,169	27,813
1966-67—September .	9,163	7,779	3,734	3,098	2,212	671	97	636	27,390	27,514
December	9,969	9,026	4,764	2,910	2,790	758	153	547	31,097	28,603
March	8,385	6,833	3,716	2,307	2,272	638	127	430	24,708	27,162
June	9,350	8,626	4,081	2,521	2,740	883	107	569	28,877	28,497
1967-68—September .	10,021	8,760	4,009	2,398	2,959	836	156	740	29,879	29,979
December	11,139	9,518	4,102	2,426	3,325	1,091	285	665	32,551	30,115
March p	9,428	7,216	3,691	1,860	2,918	799	207	551	26,670	29,362

Under construction at end of period										
1962-63	15,803	14,195	3,077	4,891	3,492	1,728	258	1,186	44,630	
1963-64	20,240	17,863	3,608	6,364	3,984	1,723	480	1,215	55,477	
1964-65	22,557	18,189	4,068	6,872	3,895	1,788	623	1,543	59,535	
1965-66	18,827	16,833	5,144	5,605	4,133	1,720	471	1,240	53,973	
1966-67	20,933	17,646	4,817	4,462	5,113	1,908	861	1,457	57,197	
1965-66—September .	22,781	17,786	4,614	6,397	4,034	1,740	595	1,491	59,438	
December	20,130	16,243	4,443	5,865	3,816	1,688	563	1,371	54,119	
March	19,264	16,804	4,784	5,757	3,953	1,724	515	1,233	54,034	
June	18,827	16,833	5,144	5,605	4,133	1,720	471	1,240	53,973	
1966-67—September .	18,956	17,393	5,248	5,422	4,452	1,910	561	1,170	55,112	
December	18,821	16,835	4,096	4,909	4,447	1,831	710	1,221	52,870	
March	20,553	17,854	4,472	4,574	4,973	1,842	789	1,394	56,451	
June	20,933	17,646	4,817	4,462	5,113	1,908	861	1,457	57,197	
1967-68—September .	21,066	18,259	5,092	4,349	5,545	2,030	981	1,459	58,781	
December	19,682	17,537	4,378	3,921	5,471	1,741	826	1,280	54,836	
March p	19,978	18,981	4,863	4,086	6,277	1,911	868	1,401	58,365	

(a) Individual living units. Only new flats are included, i.e., the conversions of old buildings into flats are omitted. Figures for flats include 'home units'.

VALUE OF WORK DONE(a) ON NEW BUILDINGS

(\$'000)

Period	New South Wales	Victoria	Queens-land	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory	Australian Capital Territory	Australia	
New houses and flats										
									Original	Season-ally adjusted
Quarterly average										
1962-63	53,223	44,444	15,978	17,339	11,849	4,206	984	4,815	152,838	..
1963-64	63,330	52,278	18,894	20,620	14,934	4,645	983	4,715	180,399	..
1964-65	75,980	60,081	24,835	23,311	17,014	5,146	1,526	5,975	213,868	..
1965-66	76,227	58,352	28,761	21,560	17,225	4,714	1,714	6,414	214,968	..
1966-67	78,515	66,477	31,239	19,344	22,944	6,025	1,865	6,285	232,695	..
Quarterly total										
1965-66—September	81,878	60,208	27,140	23,610	16,754	4,910	2,046	7,000	223,546	217.2
December	77,438	58,569	27,927	21,222	16,326	4,729	1,402	6,212	213,825	212.5
March	70,290	53,878	27,094	20,431	17,268	4,282	2,017	6,086	201,346	210.8
June	75,302	60,753	32,883	20,976	18,551	4,937	1,390	6,361	221,153	218.8
1966-67—September	77,720	65,787	29,130	21,309	21,158	5,584	1,879	6,783	229,350	223.0
December	79,362	66,630	31,343	20,067	23,251	5,658	1,648	5,566	233,525	232.2
March	73,164	62,765	30,675	17,751	21,804	5,290	1,619	5,961	219,029	229.6
June	83,815	70,737	33,807	18,250	25,562	7,568	2,308	6,829	248,876	245.7
1967-68—September	88,102	74,010	34,698	18,801	26,152	8,086	2,373	7,407	259,629	252.6
December	87,248	73,397	31,979	17,838	29,823	7,569	2,438	7,210	257,502	256.1
Other new buildings										
Quarterly average										
1962-63	53,371	34,719	12,882	11,666	8,547	4,329	976	5,841	132,331	..
1963-64	59,200	38,406	18,251	13,364	9,489	4,318	1,374	6,162	150,564	..
1964-65	66,458	43,293	21,724	16,780	13,730	4,443	1,419	7,489	175,336	..
1965-66	77,392	52,249	26,684	17,631	16,146	6,086	1,723	7,412	205,323	..
1966-67	70,746	55,371	26,703	16,552	17,988	7,250	2,295	6,756	203,661	..
Quarterly total										
1965-66—September	81,914	49,146	27,154	19,174	17,730	5,274	1,518	6,606	208,516	199.5
December	76,442	52,872	27,640	18,199	16,660	5,516	1,438	6,424	205,191	204.5
March	73,075	50,492	24,561	16,294	15,075	6,070	2,015	9,508	197,090	209.6
June	78,138	56,484	27,381	16,856	15,119	7,483	1,923	7,111	210,495	208.3
1966-67—September	86,031	60,105	27,421	17,244	17,378	7,105	1,824	7,858	224,966	215.2
December	66,528	55,628	24,768	17,458	18,550	7,985	2,391	7,509	200,817	199.9
March	59,539	50,490	25,474	15,054	18,685	6,240	2,073	5,201	182,756	194.8
June	70,885	55,261	29,150	16,454	17,338	7,668	2,893	6,456	206,105	203.8
1967-68—September	69,259	57,995	28,750	16,873	22,993	7,683	2,515	6,030	212,098	202.8
December	72,506	59,110	29,421	16,624	22,507	7,366	2,725	10,468	220,727	219.7
All new buildings										
Quarterly average										
1962-63	106,594	79,162	28,860	29,005	20,397	8,534	1,961	10,656	285,169	..
1963-64	122,529	90,685	37,145	33,984	24,423	8,962	2,358	10,877	330,963	..
1964-65	142,438	103,374	46,559	40,091	30,744	9,589	2,944	13,465	389,204	..
1965-66	153,619	110,601	55,445	39,190	33,371	10,800	3,437	13,827	420,290	..
1966-67	149,261	121,850	57,942	35,897	40,932	13,274	4,158	13,041	436,356	..
Quarterly total										
1965-66—September	163,792	109,354	54,294	42,784	34,484	10,184	3,564	13,606	432,062	416.6
December	153,880	111,441	55,567	39,421	32,986	10,245	2,840	12,636	419,016	417.3
March	143,365	104,370	51,655	36,725	32,343	10,352	4,032	15,594	398,436	418.9
June	153,440	117,237	60,264	37,832	33,670	12,420	3,313	13,472	431,648	428.4
1966-67—September	163,751	125,892	56,551	38,553	38,536	12,689	3,703	14,641	454,316	437.9
December	145,890	122,258	56,111	37,525	41,801	13,643	4,039	13,075	434,342	432.3
March	132,703	113,255	56,149	32,805	40,489	11,530	3,692	11,162	401,785	422.9
June	154,700	125,998	62,957	34,704	42,900	15,236	5,201	13,285	454,981	451.5
1967-68—September	157,361	132,005	63,448	35,674	49,145	15,769	4,888	13,437	471,727	454.6
December	159,754	132,507	61,399	34,462	52,330	14,935	5,163	17,678	478,228	475.9

(a) See footnote (b) page 33.

CAPITAL EXPENDITURE BY PRIVATE BUSINESSES

These statistics are designed primarily to measure trends in expenditure by private businesses on fixed tangible assets. The statistics are based on returns obtained from private businesses subject to pay-roll tax (other than businesses in rural, professional, gas and electricity industries), from government banks and airlines, and from other businesses not subject to pay-roll tax which undertake projects of more than \$500,000 in any half year. For statistics of capital expenditure by all private businesses, see the series 'Gross Fixed Capital Expenditure' on page 55 of this publication.

(\$ million)

NEW CAPITAL EXPENDITURE BY INDUSTRY

Period	Manufacturing									Non-manufacturing				All Industries
	Extracting, refining, found-ing	Engine-ering (a)	Vehi-cles (b)	Chem-i-cals (c)	Textiles and clothing	Food, drink and tobacco	Paper and printing	Other manu-fact-uring (d)	Total manu-fact-uring	Non-manufacturing		Other non-manu-fact-uring (f)		
										Whole-sale and retail trade	Mining		Trans-port (e)	
Quarterly average														
1962-63	28.6	19.5	11.4	22.6	6.4	22.6	11.0	20.8	142.7	49.7	17.6	13.9	42.6	266.4
1963-64	24.9	22.2	16.1	25.2	6.2	25.3	11.8	19.4	151.1	54.5	16.9	18.6	44.9	285.9
1964-65	29.6	27.1	23.1	31.8	8.0	35.2	13.8	24.1	192.7	55.4	26.6	31.7	53.1	359.6
1965-66	43.7	30.5	20.0	37.2	10.3	36.7	15.1	27.8	221.2	63.3	54.3	32.7	68.1	439.6
1966-67	46.0	32.1	10.6	31.7	8.6	34.2	17.2	27.2	207.5	61.6	60.7	32.4	62.1	424.3
Quarterly total														
1964-65—														
June	35.2	34.0	25.7	34.2	9.9	43.6	17.2	25.3	225.1	67.0	51.2	25.4	65.1	433.8
1965-66—														
September	36.1	29.5	21.8	31.1	10.7	40.2	13.2	28.6	211.2	68.1	53.1	36.1	67.3	435.8
December	44.9	32.6	22.5	43.2	10.4	41.9	15.3	27.5	238.3	71.1	55.9	39.2	70.7	475.2
March	38.9	25.1	19.5	33.0	8.7	29.0	13.3	25.8	193.3	51.6	52.7	26.7	64.4	388.7
June	54.7	34.6	16.1	41.6	11.2	35.8	18.7	29.4	242.1	62.4	55.4	28.7	69.9	458.5
1966-67—														
September	61.2	31.2	9.7	41.4	7.1	32.9	12.8	28.5	224.8	65.3	46.9	29.6	65.8	432.4
December	46.6	33.5	10.7	36.8	7.6	38.6	17.4	28.2	219.4	70.0	68.9	25.8	67.4	451.5
March	36.0	26.4	7.9	24.8	8.0	27.6	15.8	24.6	171.1	54.5	52.9	37.4	51.9	367.8
June r	40.2	37.3	14.0	23.7	11.5	37.8	22.7	27.6	214.8	56.6	74.1	36.7	63.3	445.5
1967-68—														
September	42.2	29.3	13.6	26.1	6.7	35.2	18.5	25.5	197.1	65.6	70.4	35.7	65.0	433.8
December	48.5	34.2	12.9	33.4	7.8	44.6	22.8	28.5	232.7	60.7	97.1	50.8	81.5	522.8
March p	33.4	24.3	12.6	23.7	6.0	28.5	16.7	25.8	171.0	59.4	72.9	34.3	62.9	400.5

NEW CAPITAL EXPENDITURE BY TYPE OF ASSET

Period	New Buildings and Structures(g)		Other New Capital Equipment(h)		Total New Capital Expenditure	
	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted
Quarterly average						
1962-63	95.4	..	171.1	..	266.4	..
1963-64	103.3	..	182.6	..	285.9	..
1964-65	116.4	..	243.1	..	359.6	..
1965-66	145.2	..	294.4	..	439.6	..
1966-67	140.1	..	284.2	..	424.3	..
Quarterly total						
1964-65—						
June	138.8	133.3	295.0	274.4	433.8	410.8
1965-66—						
September	149.4	145.9	286.4	292.4	435.8	438.6
December	158.9	144.3	316.3	294.3	475.2	439.0
March	118.3	142.5	270.4	309.9	388.7	449.1
June	154.2	147.8	304.3	284.4	458.5	434.1
1966-67—						
September	141.3	137.6	291.1	296.7	432.4	435.0
December	148.4	134.6	303.1	280.9	451.5	415.5
March	122.0	147.9	245.8	282.3	367.8	426.0
June	148.8	142.4	296.7	278.1	445.5	422.7
1967-68—						
September r	167.1	162.5	266.7	271.3	433.8	435.5
December r	191.8	174.2	331.0	306.8	522.8	481.4
March p	140.3	170.5	260.2	299.1	400.5	464.6

(a) Engineering, metalworking, electrical equipment. (b) Vehicles, aircraft and ships, parts and accessories. Includes assembly and repairs. (c) Chemicals, fertilisers, paints, explosives, cosmetics and oil refining. (d) Sawmilling, furniture, plastics, leather, rubber, etc. (e) Road, rail and air transport (including government airlines), shipping and stevedoring. (f) Building, construction, banking (including government banks), insurance, other finance and property, amusement, hotels, cafes, personal services, etc. (g) Includes assets such as buildings, wharves, railway and harbour construction, roads and also lifts, heating and ventilation equipment and the like forming an integral part of the structure. (h) Includes all machinery and equipment including vehicles, aircraft and ships, and such items as new motors, lathes, office equipment and fixtures

* Also seasonally adjusted—see below.

MINE PRODUCTION OF SELECTED MINERALS

Period	Metals									Coal	
	Copper (a)	Lead (a)	Zinc (a)	Tin (a)	Gold (a)	Silver (a)	Mineral sands concentrates(b)			Black	Brown
							Rutile	Ilmenite	Zircon		
	tons	tons	tons	tons	'000 fine oz	'000 fine oz	tons	tons	tons	'000 tons	'000 tons
Monthly average											
1957-58	5,430	28,093	24,964	171	90.3	1,326	8,705	7,064	5,359	1,697	906
1958-59	7,226	27,230	23,571	199	91.7	1,353	6,674	5,531	6,735	1,705	1,020
1959-60	8,584	26,577	24,825	187	90.6	1,276	7,186	6,966	9,880	1,769	1,175
1960-61	9,071	25,203	27,237	211	89.6	1,232	7,961	10,917	10,052	1,912	1,310
1961-62	7,810	24,715	25,782	226	89.2	1,190	9,115	15,576	10,825	2,036	1,394
1962-63	8,774	32,398	28,646	234	89.2	1,526	12,177	13,511	12,926	2,025	1,481
1963-64	10,001	32,971	28,491	259	81.9	1,628	15,596	22,944	15,314	2,238	1,557
1964-65	6,454	30,082	28,933	309	78.9	1,405	16,376	31,123	17,315	2,407	1,629
1965-66	9,531	30,918	30,736	382	74.6	1,568	r19,324	r41,063	r19,855	2,688	1,796
1966-67p	8,313	31,235	32,797	415	71.3	1,617	r21,597	r42,569	r21,325	2,856	1,876
Monthly total											
1965-66—											
January	9,071	16,020	16,211	312	72.9	891	r57,903	r134,814	r54,581	1,504	1,605
February	8,828	29,787	29,166	418	70.0	1,679					
March	9,765	34,417	32,314	483	73.4	1,945					
April	8,527	30,100	29,247	393	79.2	1,520	r60,334	r128,755	r64,182	2,184	1,809
May	9,375	31,342	31,447	376	82.0	1,632					
June	9,288	31,977	33,074	445	93.5	1,644					
1966-67p—											
July	9,613	35,968	36,029	475	73.5	1,781	r20,998	39,898	r19,467	3,065	2,088
August	9,693	36,650	36,209	437	83.7	1,736	r19,028	42,357	r19,718	3,152	2,051
September	9,279	34,163	33,470	414	69.4	1,696	r20,823	46,645	r18,892	3,008	1,786
October	9,616	30,341	32,201	357	72.8	1,458	r22,253	r42,437	r20,215	2,923	1,831
November	8,659	33,787	35,934	315	68.0	1,702	r22,353	39,708	r20,642	3,163	1,862
December	r7,823	20,349	24,039	382	78.4	1,204	r20,166	38,397	r17,952	2,490	1,577
January	7,148	18,691	20,314	295	69.7	1,132	21,355	40,947	19,384	1,803	1,685
February	7,296	31,299	34,291	385	61.6	1,576	21,345	r42,659	20,714	2,841	1,627
March	8,487	32,566	33,712	374	63.3	1,678	22,123	r45,607	23,096	2,655	1,903
April	7,473	30,625	32,258	598	74.5	1,634	22,539	43,723	r24,250	2,799	1,800
May	7,808	35,754	39,646	343	65.9	1,865	24,253	44,312	r26,532	3,422	2,008
June	6,865	34,624	35,457	600	74.9	1,945	21,922	44,142	r25,036	2,953	2,292
1967-68p—											
July	7,671	19,702	19,364	452	68.4	1,298	22,201	43,978	24,540	3,159	2,207
August	7,727	37,987	40,845	357	60.5	1,861	24,484	53,336	27,592	3,199	2,240
September	7,203	35,742	36,761	514	64.2	1,820	22,717	46,851	25,311	2,900	2,011
October	7,058	36,611	40,755	439	r65.4	1,872	23,792	46,334	26,341	3,159	1,997
November	6,699	36,372	39,623	464	r66.6	1,800	23,807	45,739	25,038	3,388	1,969
December	6,233	22,248	24,994	558	r64.5	1,283	21,210	40,806	22,100	2,500	1,648
January	6,616	r22,364	26,075	339	r56.7	1,344	24,948	41,097	24,809	r1,985	1,590
February	7,366	31,191	33,633		58.6	1,694	21,994	37,767	23,016	r3,358	1,595
March							24,042			3,332	1,798

(a) Quantities shown are metallic contents of mine products based on chemical assay.

(b) Quantities shown are gross output.

PRODUCTION OF ENERGY AND METALS

Period	Heat, light and power				Iron and steel				Refined metals(a)			
	Total gas available for issue(b)		Total electricity generated		Pig iron	Ingot steel(c)		Tin-plate	Copper (d)	Lead (d) (e)	Zinc (d)	Gold (f)
	Original	Season-ally adjusted	Original	Season-ally adjusted		Original	Season-ally adjusted					
	million therms (g)	million therms (g)	million kWh	million kWh	'000 tons (h)	'000 tons (h)	'000 tons	tons (h)	tons	tons	tons	'000 fine oz
Monthly average												
1957-58 .	20.0	..	1,650	..	190.3	253.1	..	3,398	2,987	17,135	9,416	92.2
1958-59 .	20.4	..	1,768	..	191.1	267.0	..	6,433	3,772	15,166	9,559	88.7
1959-60 .	21.4	..	1,929	..	221.3	293.3	..	7,315	5,404	15,595	9,816	89.4
1960-61 .	22.0	..	2,067	..	250.2	312.3	..	8,982	5,749	14,568	10,495	85.9
1961-62 .	22.0	..	2,184	..	281.7	339.6	..	8,915	5,314	14,541	12,812	86.4
1962-63 .	22.8	..	2,422	..	283.3	355.0	..	17,512	7,138	17,412	14,654	83.8
1963-64 .	23.6	..	2,696	..	314.3	397.0	..	16,511	7,435	18,108	15,532	75.9
1964-65 .	24.0	..	2,973	..	328.0	418.9	..	18,671	4,453	16,586	15,783	72.6
1965-66 .	24.2	..	3,184	..	365.0	463.4	..	19,923	7,632	15,683	16,378	64.5
1966-67 p .	24.9	..	3,459	..	407.7	505.4	..	21,398	6,190	16,029	16,419	60.5
Monthly total												
1965-66p—												
March .	21.0	24.1	3,125	3,218	350.2	441.4	443.5	21,428	7,850	15,463	17,165	92.2
April .	22.2	24.5	3,033	3,231	346.2	424.3	461.1	19,732	6,673	14,222	16,481	54.2
May .	27.7	24.9	3,486	3,301	383.0	490.9	484.1	20,618	6,391	15,887	14,873	55.7
June .	30.6	25.0	3,661	3,332	395.0	489.3	494.1	19,784	8,816	15,477	15,076	59.4
1966-67p—												
July .	33.0	25.0	3,923	3,379	421.9	509.0	494.4	21,327	7,928	17,168	17,835	65.1
August .	31.5	25.2	3,848	3,374	395.6	480.0	456.9	19,825	7,456	16,820	16,486	71.5
September .	26.7	25.1	3,453	3,388	412.8	504.4	483.5	21,224	9,041	18,683	16,289	59.2
October .	25.2	25.1	3,387	3,424	433.1	541.4	537.5	22,695	7,146	17,868	18,067	55.7
November .	22.5	24.9	3,276	3,410	419.7	524.1	521.6	22,560	7,364	13,721	16,129	56.8
December .	20.8	24.7	3,162	3,460	412.8	515.8	494.5	22,902	3,413	14,267	14,944	89.3
January .	18.7	24.7	3,077	3,501	418.8	507.6	503.4	22,678	6,653	16,876	17,489	51.0
February .	18.4	24.5	3,065	3,520	355.1	455.7	512.6	20,936	4,045	15,815	15,256	52.7
March .	21.5	25.2	3,335	3,511	400.0	523.0	523.7	21,350	4,197	16,780	17,104	52.0
April .	22.5	24.6	3,306	3,509	381.8	462.0	510.7	19,176	3,420	13,878	15,945	50.4
May .	27.8	24.8	3,793	3,536	446.1	553.0	545.3	22,320	7,828	17,131	16,680	52.2
June .	30.4	24.9	3,879	3,530	427.2	530.1	528.3	24,621	5,793	13,339	14,806	70.1
1967-68p—												
July .	34.0	25.6	4,175	3,587	438.4	525.5	507.2	23,531	4,700	15,233	18,345	52.5
August .	33.3	26.7	4,202	3,693	449.3	539.9	513.4	23,703	6,054	17,194	16,615	51.7
September .	28.4	26.7	3,755	3,704	427.3	540.8	524.3	22,582	6,381	16,182	16,541	52.5
October .	25.0	24.8	3,607	3,620	415.8	529.7	525.2	23,054	6,514	16,144	16,269	66.9
November .	22.3	24.8	3,508	3,656	382.4	477.2	469.7	23,394	5,943	17,077	15,666	71.6
December .	21.2	25.3	3,202	3,557	435.0	544.3	529.8	23,994	4,502	15,046	13,756	48.5
January .	18.8	24.7	3,233	3,619	445.2	526.5	521.7	21,672	4,326	15,206	15,756	42.1
February .	18.3	23.5	3,279	3,632	420.5	478.5	516.2	18,869	4,048	14,091	13,854	46.0
March .	21.2	24.6	3,541	3,667	460.0	548.1	556.0	17,211	4,664	16,381	14,887	52.8
April .					441.7	530.5		16,608				

(a) Primary origin only. (b) Includes gas produced in gas works and gas purchased from petroleum refineries. Does not include natural gas. (c) Includes recovery from scrap. (d) Source: Bureau of Mineral Resources. (e) Refined lead including lead content of lead alloys from primary sources; excludes lead content of lead-silver bullion produced for export. (f) Newly-won gold of Australian origin. Source: Reserve Bank. (g) 1 Therm — 100,000 British Thermal Units. (h) Monthly averages for twelve months ended May.

PRODUCTION OF BUILDING MATERIALS, BUILDING FITTINGS AND FLOOR COVERINGS

Period	Building materials									Building fittings			Floor coverings(<i>b</i>)
	Clay bricks	Roofing tiles		As-bestos cement building sheets	Sawn Aust. grown timber (<i>a</i>)	Portland cement		Plaster sheets	Hard-board	Baths—C.I.P.E. and other metal	Wash basins—C.I.P.E. and earthenware	Sinks—stainless steel	
		Terra-cotta	Con-crete			Ori-ginal	Sea-sonally ad-justed						
	Million	'000	'000	'000 sq yd	Million sup ft	'000 tons	'000 tons	'000 sq yd	Million sq ft	No.	No.	No.	'000 sq yd
Monthly average													
1957–58	73.2	4,911	4,122	2,169	115.9	191	..	1,458	18.3	9,476	12,648	14,740	984
1958–59	78.3	4,936	4,355	2,237	121.7	207	..	1,528	21.8	10,136	13,217	15,384	1,066
1959–60	85.8	4,739	4,741	2,536	126.8	219	..	1,550	23.8	10,429	14,094	16,240	1,304
1960–61	88.4	4,599	4,388	2,462	121.3	238	..	1,431	23.3	9,719	13,700	16,460	1,141
1961–62	82.7	4,171	4,435	2,233	112.7	234	..	1,278	21.6	9,171	13,327	14,536	1,094
1962–63	88.2	4,274	5,040	2,311	117.6	245	..	1,319	25.0	9,101	14,593	14,474	1,364
1963–64	103.2	4,482	6,379	2,482	121.3	276	..	1,320	29.8	10,571	15,286	16,221	1,542
1964–65	112.4	4,461	7,284	2,754	126.0	312	..	c1,203	31.9	12,541	17,875	18,161	1,949
1965–66	113.0	4,225	6,967	2,698	124.0	307	..	2,491	30.1	12,377	17,544	19,186	2,147
1966–67p	113.0	3,941	7,375	2,712	119.3	r303	..	2,582	29.4	12,873	17,020	18,276	2,019
Monthly total													
1965–66p—													
February	106.6	4,169	6,543	2,698	111.2	277	300	2,360	28.9	12,663	15,643	17,076	1,910
March	122.2	4,447	8,177	2,830	122.9	305	294	2,832	32.4	14,989	19,309	24,275	2,391
April	107.9	3,845	6,585	2,796	121.4	310	306	2,195	28.1	10,974	15,611	17,522	1,953
May	121.6	4,438	7,734	3,058	123.3	332	308	2,623	27.0	14,166	16,953	18,515	2,277
June	120.1	4,642	7,357	2,931	133.7	304	304	2,796	30.8	12,824	17,487	20,896	2,120
1966–67p—				(<i>d</i>)									
July	116.1	4,143	7,354	2,966	125.2	314	301	2,526	31.0	12,773	16,476	20,481	2,257
August	123.5	4,590	7,877	2,599	133.8	319	299	2,868	32.6	12,916	16,604	21,857	2,302
September	120.4	4,394	8,085	2,738	128.3	315	304	2,614	33.6	13,042	17,143	22,369	2,184
October	116.7	4,040	7,800	3,107	128.5	316	290	2,692	33.8	14,134	16,872	20,791	2,182
November	122.1	4,658	7,929	3,348	127.4	313	302	3,104	34.4	14,745	19,594	22,381	2,253
December	97.2	3,509	5,938	2,622	110.4	267	294	2,093	23.3	10,578	15,174	15,683	1,905
January	78.8	1,979	4,328	1,113	75.1	221	294	1,500	18.3	6,189	9,406	9,291	965
February	109.6	4,158	6,852	2,933	101.9	290	312	2,586	29.1	13,442	16,821	16,679	2,162
March	116.6	3,897	7,721	3,267	112.3	307	298	2,732	29.6	14,017	21,099	17,879	2,162
April	112.9	3,700	7,482	2,363	120.4	309	307	2,423	28.2	13,461	17,616	15,087	1,951
May	128.5	4,240	8,707	2,955	134.5	353	323	3,219	29.6	16,167	18,587	19,026	2,119
June	115.2	3,983	8,422	2,535	133.8	315	315	2,627	28.9	13,006	18,843	17,788	1,790
1967–68p—													
July	114.4	3,918	8,640	2,753	109.1	336	322	2,682	28.7	13,331	16,478	16,208	1,981
August	123.8	4,656	9,007	2,515	134.0	341	321	3,226	29.3	13,872	18,304	20,774	2,401
September	119.7	3,906	7,933	3,036	133.6	333	321	2,642	31.4	14,592	18,163	21,949	2,232
October	123.5	3,901	8,360	3,211	142.6	354	324	2,864	34.3	15,100	15,228	19,650	2,458
November	128.1	4,336	9,119	3,583	127.0	324	313	3,319	33.4	15,722	17,299	17,189	2,605
December	105.4	3,262	6,060	3,020	113.9	277	307	2,390	24.4	11,139	16,796	12,951	2,128
January	91.0	2,366	5,226	1,897	r81.5	240	317	1,890	19.8	7,192	7,502	8,246	1,270
February	121.8	r3,921	7,886	3,316	99.0	312	324	2,897	33.7	15,474	16,659	18,611	2,257
March	127.8	4,151	8,876	3,307	110.4	329	323	2,985	33.9	15,835	19,122	20,826	2,274

(a) Includes timber for sawn sleepers. Source (for 1962-63 and later periods): Commonwealth Forestry and Timber Bureau and Victorian Forests Commission. (b) Excludes underfelts and underlays. (c) Prior to July 1965 series refers to the production of Fibrous Plaster Sheets only. (d) From July 1966 series refers to the production of non-acoustic sheets only.

PRODUCTION OF HOUSEHOLD APPLIANCES, ELECTRIC MOTORS AND ENGINES

Period	Domestic cooking stoves			Do- mestic refriger- ators	Do- mestic clothes washing ma- chines	Radios and radio- grams	Tele- vision sets (c)	Room air con- ditioners (d)	Electric motors			Internal com- bustion engines —petrol (e)
	Solid fuel	Gas(a)— upright or elevated	Electric (b)						Under 1 h.p.		1 h.p. and over	
									Original	Season- ally ad- justed		
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	'000	'000	'000	No.
Monthly average												
1957-58	3,603	4,663	7,701	16,327	13,675	31,729	23,536	390	88.8	..	5.1	15,527
1958-59	3,288	5,531	8,352	18,316	15,016	31,526	26,368	1,061	105.9	..	5.8	24,186
1959-60	3,071	6,634	9,716	19,763	16,823	33,549	36,508	3,339	131.9	..	8.5	24,326
1960-61	2,644	6,097	8,992	18,293	16,295	37,899	26,331	5,602	145.9	..	9.3	15,348
1961-62	2,409	5,639	10,282	17,657	18,342	30,583	24,125	2,423	134.8	..	6.8	16,948
1962-63	2,262	5,464	12,139	17,196	17,987	41,671	24,724	948	153.8	..	7.5	22,367
1963-64	2,340	6,448	14,671	16,949	18,506	38,794	22,520	686	175.8	..	9.4	23,818
1964-65	1,966	7,040	16,301	18,897	21,957	38,610	25,918	931	205.0	..	9.9	23,813
1965-66	1,748	5,930	16,968	17,854	20,050	32,962	23,160	2,281	197.4	..	10.6	18,786
1966-67p	1,567	6,290	17,572	19,448	19,281	37,370	20,949	3,061	211.6	..	11.7	22,074
Monthly total												
1965-66—												
February	1,488	5,482	14,689	19,077	17,488	33,663	19,384	3,314	201	201	8.9	13,623
March	2,085	6,599	16,878	21,968	22,031	29,554	22,790	2,339	221	194	12.3	14,879
April	1,608	3,801	13,862	13,722	18,140	26,144	22,986	1,314	172	194	9.2	12,147
May	2,073	4,768	16,547	17,918	23,231	26,992	29,739	1,973	203	204	11.2	10,854
June	1,529	5,365	16,192	17,640	21,925	26,682	27,614	2,149	222	209	11.5	12,850
1966-67p—												
July	2,050	5,471	15,963	16,616	19,630	27,032	26,057	2,155	207	201	11.0	17,097
August	2,105	6,897	22,493	19,914	21,839	30,470	25,106	2,869	233	208	11.7	24,647
September	1,847	6,615	22,093	21,610	22,082	38,832	23,934	2,901	216	202	12.1	29,360
October	1,656	6,886	22,062	23,184	20,828	44,277	20,100	3,057	221	212	11.2	32,008
November	1,716	7,717	21,225	24,179	22,258	58,769	21,854	4,282	254	207	13.6	36,188
December	1,515	6,701	17,599	20,293	17,277	47,490	16,583	4,352	186	204	10.2	25,678
January	632	3,062	9,101	11,958	7,217	19,084	8,024	3,168	111	208	6.2	16,850
February	1,482	6,989	16,715	19,592	17,710	36,349	17,300	3,535	222	222	12.2	23,443
March	1,462	7,354	16,913	20,466	19,759	37,190	20,117	3,351	216	215	13.1	21,413
April	1,189	5,392	14,210	15,522	17,919	34,996	19,656	2,310	210	219	12.7	15,310
May	1,774	6,548	16,520	19,361	23,234	36,845	26,587	2,714	237	226	14.2	10,375
June	1,370	5,850	15,974	20,678	21,624	37,111	26,066	2,039	227	220	12.4	12,516
1967-68p—												
July	1,624	6,190	19,208	20,984	21,546	36,790	23,342	3,419	235	231	12.2	22,724
August	1,963	7,036	20,470	24,293	25,979	43,829	24,390	5,123	273	237	12.7	34,891
September	1,474	7,676	19,438	24,690	23,099	43,032	23,040	4,985	253	245	11.1	37,156
October	1,412	6,858	20,616	24,730	23,769	49,615	20,690	6,194	251	234	12.7	34,505
November	1,325	6,817	22,679	25,408	26,652	59,561	21,905	7,946	287	234	13.6	30,461
December	1,020	5,698	14,691	17,609	16,935	44,813	16,184	5,462	202	229	8.4	15,109
January	554	3,503	8,609	13,426	11,202	17,705	9,164	3,250	131	222	5.9	9,007
February	r885	6,284	15,866	18,548	24,047	32,677	21,273	3,689	224	213	9.7	18,075
March	1,028	5,905	18,806	20,264	25,669	39,710	22,696	3,180	227	221	12.4	12,480
April												

(a) Town or liquefied petroleum gas stoves or ranges. Includes wall ovens. (b) Includes fixed ranges, wall ovens, cooking tops grill-boilers and other ranges. (c) Includes combinations with radio and/or record player. (d) Includes package unit air conditioners (e) Excludes motor car, motor cycle, truck, tractor, aero, etc., and marine engines.

PRODUCTION OF DAIRY PRODUCTS AND MEAT

Period	Whole milk for all purposes		Dairy products (Factory production)			Meat (carcass weight)					
			Butter (a)	Cheese (b)	Pro- cessed full cream milk products	Beef and veal	Mutton	Lamb	Pigmeat	Total	
	Original	Seasonally adjusted								Original	Seasonally adjusted
	Million gal	Million gal	'000 lb	'000 lb	'000 gal(c)	'000 tons	'000 tons	'000 tons	'000 tons	'000 tons	'000 tons
Monthly Average											
1957-58	105.4	..	32,278	6 700	6,655	66.0	22.5	12.6	8.5	109.5	..
1958-59	114.2	..	35,638	8,107	6,756	75.5	25.9	15.2	8.5	125.0	..
1959-60	117.2	..	36,402	8,355	6,886	62.6	30.9	16.9	8.4	118.8	..
1960-61	111.6	..	33,452	8,736	6,385	52.7	30.6	17.2	9.0	109.5	..
1961-62	120.3	..	36,821	10,356	6,502	65.9	30.7	18.2	10.0	124.9	..
1962-63	122.3	..	37,565	10,810	6,931	76.2	30.2	19.2	9.5	135.1	..
1963-64	124.7	..	37,811	10,777	7,686	82.1	30.1	18.8	9.3	140.2	..
1964-65	126.7	..	37,979	11,462	8,081	84.2	30.1	18.6	10.0	142.9	..
1965-66	126.8	..	38,356	10,924	7,766	77.6	32.5	17.4	11.1	138.6	..
1966-67	133.5	..	40,777	12,827	8,287	72.1	29.1	19.8	11.7	132.6	..
Monthly Total											
1965-66—											
February	114.9	119.7	34,814	8,334	6,918	71.2	35.1	17.6	10.3	134.2	142.2
March	106.7	126.1	30,564	7,335	6,403	88.2	41.1	19.1	12.2	160.6	146.7
April	89.0	131.4	23,724	6,643	4,749	80.6	34.1	16.9	10.9	142.4	145.7
May	75.9	132.3	17,752	6,260	3,657	99.2	35.3	17.1	11.4	163.0	149.6
June	71.1	131.3	15,535	6,628	3,670	98.9	31.3	19.1	11.3	160.6	147.7
1966-67p—											
July	88.7	133.7	22,301	9,164	5,109	88.4	26.4	18.3	10.7	143.9	143.1
August	130.6	134.5	39,132	13,410	8,282	81.4	26.6	18.6	11.4	138.1	136.9
September	164.6	134.5	52,902	16,963	10,670	73.1	28.5	19.7	11.6	132.9	135.0
October	197.9	134.8	65,898	20,529	12,579	64.6	30.4	21.2	12.2	128.4	135.5
November	197.9	134.6	66,684	19,661	12,274	64.2	30.5	23.0	12.9	130.7	130.0
December	184.3	133.3	61,454	17,681	11,724	62.2	30.0	22.3	12.3	126.9	133.9
January	167.5	136.8	54,948	15,813	10,633	60.6	29.3	19.1	10.1	119.1	133.2
February	130.0	136.3	40,430	11,085	8,350	65.4	29.5	18.6	11.1	124.7	131.7
March	116.0	136.6	33,908	10,006	7,385	67.9	30.5	20.2	12.1	130.8	125.8
April	85.4	129.6	21,639	7,216	5,050	70.1	27.8	18.0	11.8	127.7	126.8
May	73.4	126.1	16,490	6,373	4,127	85.1	31.5	19.6	12.4	148.6	131.1
June	65.4	120.1	13,532	6,023	3,266	81.5	28.5	18.3	11.2	139.4	128.4
1967-68p—											
July	85.8	129.6	20,473	8,512	5,232	79.9	27.1	16.5	11.9	135.4	136.8
August	125.8	130.5	36,051	13,212	8,904	78.8	28.2	18.0	12.3	137.3	134.5
September	159.6	131.2	49,798	17,128	11,280	77.0	32.7	19.1	12.4	141.2	149.1
October	193.6	129.6	62,685	21,291	13,574	76.2	41.7	22.7	13.2	153.9	159.0
November	189.0	129.5	61,327	20,817	12,895	76.3	42.6	24.1	13.3	156.3	154.1
December	173.4	126.6	55,077	19,182	12,173	65.6	42.4	21.4	12.3	141.6	154.3
January	154.7	124.6	48,112	16,273	10,693	62.2	38.9	20.3	11.1	132.4	142.7
February	118.9	121.0	33,785	11,931	7,905	70.4	38.5	20.2	11.8	140.8	141.4
March	95.7	115.6	24,126	9,381	5,739	75.8	37.1	20.4	12.7	146.1	140.7

(a) Includes the butter equivalent of butter oil production. Source: From July 1966, Commonwealth Dairy Produce Equalisation Committee Ltd. and State departments of agriculture. (b) From July 1966, as reported by Commonwealth Dairy Produce Equalisation Committee Ltd. and by producers not within the equalisation scheme. (c) Whole milk equivalent.

PRODUCTION OF FLOUR, SUGAR, BEER, TOBACCO AND CHEMICALS

Period	Wheaten flour	Refined sugar (a)	Beer	Tobacco, cigars and cigarettes	Chemicals and allied products					
					Sulphuric acid (100%)	Super-phosphate (b)	Sulphate of ammonia (c)	Paints		Soap
								Ready-mixed paints and enamels	Lacquers, nitro-cellulose	
	'000 short tons	'000 tons	'000 gal (d)	'000 lb (e)	'000 tons	'000 tons	'000 tons	'000 gal	'000 gal	'000 cwt
Monthly average										
1957-58	110	41.1	18,871	4,255	83	185	9.89	924	130	109
1958-59	114	43.2	18,633	4,371	82	177	9.79	951	133	104
1959-60	126	45.0	19,306	4,563	89	198	8.74	1,066	150	105
1960-61	130	43.7	19,701	4,853	94	211	8.25	1,053	114	104
1961-62	125	46.1	20,136	4,659	95	216	8.66	1,108	109	98
1962-63	122	47.0	20,788	4,742	105	239	7.79	1,154	120	101
1963-64	139	48.0	21,862	4,674	121	279	7.13	1,291	127	102
1964-65	129	49.4	22,908	4,878	136	309	9.10	1,356	130	96
1965-66	117	50.8	24,110	4,688	148	349	9.18	1,267	120	97
1966-67p	115	52.4	25,287	4,845	165	383	8.80	1,331	118	94
Monthly total										
1965-66—										
March	126	57.7	27,173	4,939	159	385	9.51	1,436	147	105
April	103	44.8	21,734	3,985	169	386	8.93	1,143	113	109
May	117	50.1	21,692	4,501	161	430	8.76	1,346	125	106
June	117	44.8	19,931	5,145	167	402	9.54	1,307	122	86
1966-67p—										
July	114	51.2	19,591	5,157	156	319	9.63	1,263	107	95
August	109	52.9	23,138	5,336	152	366	9.32	1,356	126	92
September	113	54.5	25,084	5,385	150	324	8.80	1,410	125	94
October	108	57.5	26,851	5,168	165	366	9.81	1,361	128	102
November	117	54.5	30,351	5,215	157	380	7.86	1,542	137	100
December	100	50.4	31,274	4,165	156	341	9.66	1,312	113	69
January	106	53.0	25,597	2,875	186	438	9.24	937	74	64
February	114	49.0	24,761	4,765	163	388	8.16	1,349	118	102
March	133	53.8	27,238	5,151	194	451	10.29	1,385	123	105
April	130	53.2	22,794	4,716	177	411	7.73	1,309	111	105
May	123	51.6	25,065	4,726	171	389	8.09	1,458	133	102
June	113	46.9	21,699	5,483	151	422	7.00	1,288	117	94
1967-68p—										
July	113	49.0	20,904	5,162	136	262	8.65	1,300	108	114
August	121	50.8	25,526	5,214	155	342	6.44	1,475	117	102
September	114	50.5	25,047	4,699	173	386	6.34	1,433	117	85
October	123	54.6	28,039	5,763	160	361	5.35	1,541	128	97
November	138	55.5	28,903	5,043	153	350	5.01	1,707	114	92
December	116	49.4	32,092	3,931	161	364	4.62	1,313	98	81
January	106	49.4	28,920	3,446	163	437	4.53	1,005	71	68
February	101	52.1	28,809	4,979	165	415	4.17	1,367	125	82
March	114			5,365	155	348	9.76	1,464	136	105
April										

(a) Production in July 1966, and later months is as reported by the Department of Primary Industry. (b) Source: Department of Primary Industry. As from June 1964 includes double and triple superphosphate and ammonium phosphate expressed in terms of single superphosphate, i.e., 22% P₂O₅ equivalent. (c) Source: Nitrogen Fertilizers Pty Ltd from July 1962. (d) Production is as reported by the Department of Customs and Excise and includes waste beer. (e) Source: Department of Customs and Excise.

PRODUCTION OF MOTOR VEHICLES AND TYRES; WOOL; YARNS

Period	Motor vehicles(a)				Pneumatic tyres— motor cycle, car, truck, aero., etc.(b)	Wool received into brokers' stores (c)	Wool prices index Sydney (d)	Scoured and carbon- ised wool	Yarn(e)	
	Cars and station wagons	Utilities	Panel vans	Trucks and truck- type vehicles					Cotton	Wool
	No.	No.	No.	No.	'000	'000 bales	cents per lb	mill. lb	'000 lb	'000 lb
Monthly average										
1957-58	f13,022	2,893	n.a.	n.a.	317	363	51.8	13.2	3,720	3,801
1958-59	14,820	2,767			328	395	39.6	13.4	3,544	3,381
1959-60	19,197	2,573			352	411	46.9	15.0	3,868	4,213
1960-61	19,018	2,444			360	393	42.9	13.2	3,574	4,090
1961-62	16,890	2,054			333	400	45.1	14.0	3,612	3,811
1962-63	g24,960	2,321	1,011	2,076	418	391	48.6	14.3	3,890	4,280
1963-64	20,036	2,530			425	416	56.7	13.4	4,616	4,350
1964-65	27,872	2,259			460	424	48.0	13.2	4,931	4,527
1965-66	24,477	2,858			462	376	50.3	13.1	4,910	4,351
1966-67p	24,688	2,929			483	401	48.6	11.3	5,098	4,239
Monthly total										
1965-66—										
March	27,641	3,750	1,663	1,813	509	324	52.0	14.8	5,207	5,039
April	24,821	1,391	722	1,712	441	225	h53.0	11.4	4,813	3,835
May	28,107	2,059	1,122	2,058	514	220	53.0	13.5	5,879	4,796
June	27,149	3,121	1,101	1,945	499	156	53.0	12.8	5,307	4,364
1966-67p—										
July	24,151	3,274	1,037	2,044	534	232	53.0	12.2	5,487	4,130
August	25,286	2,758	1,089	1,914	575	503	52.0	12.7	5,622	4,731
September	22,023	2,050	1,059	1,656	524	790	50.0	11.2	5,446	4,255
October	22,353	2,776	1,215	1,772	464	782	48.0	11.8	5,111	4,501
November	26,386	3,099	1,157	1,878	481	627	48.0	13.1	5,710	5,097
December	21,643	2,406	767	1,644	385	348	48.0	11.0	3,936	3,415
January	13,877	1,529	638	996	165	193	47.0	10.6	2,115	2,324
February	27,252	3,963	1,173	2,053	477	278	48.0	13.9	5,293	4,351
March	28,752	3,445	1,586	2,101	494	361	47.0	14.2	5,322	4,238
April	26,317	3,043	1,410	2,013	499	299	47.0	13.8	5,039	4,429
May	31,459	3,619	1,588	2,353	611	240	48.0	15.3	6,206	4,610
June	26,755	3,190	1,371	2,090	584	162	47.0	13.6	5,894	4,776
1967-68p—										
July	26,474	3,200	1,203	1,907	591	283	46.0	12.9	4,952	4,497
August	28,043	3,512	1,442	1,759	566	543	43.0	12.3	5,907	5,265
September	24,805	2,828	1,500	1,874	581	736	43.0	11.2	5,838	4,638
October	30,010	2,967	1,525	2,295	617	790	43.0	13.4	5,615	5,266
November	30,928	3,219	1,790	2,105	637	668	p43.0	14.7	5,372	5,287
December	19,239	2,362	1,114	1,560	494	324	p44.0	11.1	4,214	3,711
January	13,441	849	386	938	240	179	p44.0	11.3	2,436	2,796
February	33,235	1,082	882	1,983	575	298	p46.0	14.4	4,956	4,581
March	45,461	1,593	919	1,967	609		p46.0	14.8	5,370	4,440
April										

(a) Finished and partly finished motor vehicles. (b) Source: Department of Supply. (c) First hand receivals as recorded by the National Council of Wool Selling Brokers. (d) Average price which a New South Wales clip of constant average quality would realise if sold at the level of prices obtaining in the specified month. Annual prices are averages of monthly prices weighted by quantity of greasy wool sold in month in New South Wales. (e) Includes mixtures predominantly of the fibre named. (f) Prior to July 1958, Station wagons are not included. (g) Prior to July 1963 the series represent the production of bodies assembled from local and imported panels. (h) Nominal.

PRODUCTION OF TEXTILES AND CLOTHING

Period	Woven cloth(a) (b)						Blankets	Hosiery		Men's and youths'—		
	Cotton(c)		Wool(d)		Cellu- losic fibre	Syn- thetic fibre		Men's	Women's full length	Short length coats and jackets (e)		Sports trou- sers
	Original	Season- ally ad- justed	Original	Season- ally ad- justed						Suit	Other	
	'000 sq yd	'000 sq yd	'000 sq yd	'000 sq yd	'000 sq yd	'000 sq yd	'000	'000 doz pairs	'000 doz pairs	'000	'000	'000
Monthly average												
1957-58	3,695	..	2,643	..	1,924	313	155	123	185	60.6	63.3	216
1958-59	3,524	..	2,272	..	1,476	516	142	109	205	60.7	62.2	226
1959-60	3,594	..	2,520	..	1,484	616	161	130	212	64.7	75.7	272
1960-61	3,641	..	2,205	..	1,729	837	159	113	218	66.8	70.2	303
1961-62	3,802	..	2,079	..	1,713	1,136	141	118	235	68.7	58.9	309
1962-63	3,924	..	2,352	..	1,990	1,528	154	137	285	75.7	59.6	342
1963-64	4,446	..	1,976	..	2,233	1,660	181	136	316	78.1	60.3	338
1964-65	4,692	..	2,048	..	2,666	1,823	173	142	352	84.2	61.5	357
1965-66	4,658	..	1,944	..	2,747	1,747	142	141	359	83.8	67.4	355
1966-67p	4,776	..	1,754	..	2,966	1,960	144	149	400	80.7	75.9	351
Monthly total												
1965-66—												
February	4,405	4,612	2,035	1,839	2,247	1,758	126	113	342	79.5	76.2	372
March	5,131	4,758	2,344	1,903	2,830	1,756	167	152	396	90.6	99.7	434
April	4,851	4,946	1,637	1,815	2,701	1,595	144	124	327	70.5	83.5	320
May	5,189	4,810	1,849	1,830	3,321	1,957	190	141	367	76.8	98.6	331
June	5,153	4,726	1,756	1,894	3,422	2,115	174	154	387	81.2	83.0	337
1966-67p—												
July	5,125	4,944	1,581	1,760	3,107	2,019	158	135	367	81.9	62.6	316
August	5,326	4,651	1,748	1,709	3,061	2,237	154	178	424	97.1	63.4	392
September	5,526	4,791	1,844	1,803	3,082	2,196	128	161	414	91.7	70.3	389
October	4,842	4,429	1,867	1,700	3,078	1,918	133	176	413	87.0	72.3	377
November	5,043	4,628	2,186	1,752	3,104	1,991	159	170	462	101.2	73.4	421
December	3,927	4,581	1,584	1,751	2,435	1,410	110	115	330	76.8	57.0	323
January	2,119	4,773	992	1,554	1,445	963	66	81	216	37.4	39.3	184
February	4,630	4,881	1,922	1,741	3,015	1,797	138	144	399	76.4	84.3	353
March	4,968	4,907	1,977	1,757	3,100	2,057	153	146	434	79.5	108.8	397
April	4,839	4,790	1,787	1,883	3,062	2,044	159	141	413	73.3	94.6	352
May	5,590	4,961	1,943	1,811	3,291	2,403	196	175	482	84.5	102.1	380
June	5,375	5,051	1,620	1,805	3,813	2,488	169	161	449	81.7	82.0	332
1967-68p—												
July	4,816	4,595	1,596	1,787	3,245	2,156	206	166	425	75.5	63.9	327
August	5,530	4,854	1,989	1,935	3,519	2,564	156	187	488	95.8	65.2	384
September	5,809	5,113	1,916	1,912	3,507	2,578	144	176	472	89.5	61.8	362
October	5,310	4,703	2,243	1,954	3,186	2,477	143	175	502	89.4	68.3	355
November	5,227	4,895	2,402	1,964	3,114	2,421	133	185	491	96.7	66.4	383
December	4,232	5,059	1,729	1,965	2,465	1,848	85	124	318	73.0	46.7	264
January	2,163	4,487	1,285	1,851	1,459	1,155	68	91	253	38.5	34.2	181
February	4,915	5,022	2,244	1,967	2,859	2,273	121	149	447	75.0	83.4	349
March	5,414	5,387	2,151	1,927	3,351	2,606	134	154	452	78.6	99.5	395

(a) Includes mixtures predominantly of the fibre named. (b) Over 12 inches wide. (c) Excludes towels and towelling.
(d) Excludes blanketing and rug material. (e) Excludes plastic coats and dust coats.

PRODUCTION OF CLOTHING AND MISCELLANEOUS PRODUCTS

Period	Shirts, men's and boy's	Underwear		Boots, shoes and sandals (not rubber)		Mat- tresses, inner spring	Lawn mowers, petrol (rotary)	Motor spirit (a)	Plastics and syn- thetic resins (b)	News- print
		Men's and boys'	Women's and girls'							
				Original	Seasonally adjusted					
	'000 doz	'000 doz	'000 doz	'000 pairs	'000 pairs	'000	No.	Million gal	'000 cwt	Tons
Monthly average										
1957-58 .	128	151	238	1,782	..	47.4	11,749	74	75	6,757
1958-59 .	135	154	248	2,005	..	48.4	20,329	78	73	6,923
1959-60 .	153	157	265	2,136	..	51.6	20,240	88	99	7,376
1960-61 .	152	160	281	2,026	..	49.5	16,335	96	89	7,336
1961-62 .	135	170	278	2,122	..	52.9	16,726	101	112	7,480
1962-63 .	160	178	297	2,228	..	53.7	18,098	105	143	7,520
1963-64 .	164	174	313	2,353	..	57.4	16,600	113	161	7,670
1964-65 .	179	191	312	2,381	..	60.6	16,762	124	196	7,762
1965-66 .	r189	188	319	2,317	..	58.7	14,700	127	198	7,768
1966-67p .	181	187	296	2,417	..	56.7	18,097	147	238	8,105
Monthly total										
1965-66-										
March .	r181	212	316	2,484	2,357	64.8	11,594	125	217	8,386
April .	r158	164	276	2,005	2,279	53.6	5,678	126	194	7,968
May .	r191	189	313	2,392	2,353	57.9	4,338	125	230	8,121
June .	r194	188	316	2,444	2,395	55.6	6,755	115	219	8,019
1966-67p-										
July .	196	186	309	2,499	2,330	56.0	10,974	156	r197	8,092
August .	221	229	329	3,038	2,401	60.1	21,350	147	r250	8,408
September .	211	205	319	2,917	2,390	60.4	28,706	146	r239	8,090
October .	208	199	309	2,728	23,80	58.4	31,575	137	r249	8,566
November .	222	235	361	2,733	2,306	63.3	32,245	116	r243	8,459
December .	153	174	279	1,904	2,410	61.4	25,018	171	r226	6,305
January .	74	83	139	1,108	2,355	41.0	16,494	159	194	8,052
February .	154	173	293	2,219	2,492	55.6	16,511	138	217	7,864
March .	173	191	303	2,328	2,414	59.7	14,256	156	r248	8,532
April .	162	169	285	2,282	2,468	53.1	9,321	156	250	8,316
May .	196	219	328	r2,709	2,533	57.7	5,629	140	271	8,619
June .	200	188	303	r2,543	2,548	53.2	5,085	141	258	7,952
1967-68p-										
July .	197	183	325	r2,808	2,624	55.6	15,717	150	r285	8,062
August .	222	231	362	r3,312	2,593	62.3	25,359	157	295	8,016
September .	208	220	329	r3,027	2,565	54.7	29,445	159	r274	8,061
October .	218	234	365	r3,117	2,617	56.7	29,629	163	r271	8,314
November .	237	252	421	r3,154	2,675	58.5	25,075	151	r279	7,805
December .	153	181	303	r2,040	2,662	55.4	9,599	165	270	6,099
January .	82	104	186	1,318	2,554	40.6	7,837	177	r252	6,757
February .	166	197	326	2,330	2,512	55.5	16,029	154	268	7,663
March .	158	194	327	2,433	2,534		9,594	156	279	8,226
April .										7,967

(a) Source: Department of National Development.

(b) Liquid resins or emulsion forms are shown in terms of dry weight of resin content.

INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION INDEXES: VARIOUS COUNTRIES

(Source: *Monthly Bulletin of Statistics* of the Statistical Office of the United Nations)

Unless otherwise stated, the indexes shown below include mining, manufacturing, electricity and manufactured gas but exclude construction. When the indexes are adjusted for differences in the number of working days per month or for seasonal variations they are footnoted accordingly. A short dash on each side of an index number (e.g., -119-) indicates that two series have been linked at that period.

(Base of each index: Year 1963 = 100)

Period	Belgium	Canada (a)	France (a)	Germany West (a)	Italy	Japan	Nether- lands	Norway (a)	Sweden (a)	United King- dom (a) (b)	U.S.A. (a)
1960 . . .	83	84	85	88	77	70	87	86	83	95	87
1961 . . .	88	86	90	93	84	83	90	91	89	96	88
1962 . . .	93	94	95	-97-	92	90	95	95	94	97	95
1963 . . .	100	100	100	100	100	-100-	-100-	100	100	100	100
1964 . . .	107	109	107	108	102	116	110	109	110	108	106
1965 . . .	109	118	109	114	107	120	116	116	119	111	115
1966 . . .	111	128	116	116	-119-	136	123	122	123	112	126
1967 . . .	113	131	120	114	128	162	129	128	127	112	127
1966—											
July . . .	90	119	109	111	125	137	104	77	52	104	121
August . . .	108	123	73	102	92	134	123	121	118	99	126
September . . .	120	130	118	118	129	141	128	135	132	113	130
October . . .	118	133	123	121	128	143	133	135	134	115	132
November . . .	115	135	128	123	123	146	138	138	135	116	129
December . . .	118	128	129	114	125	154	131	123	129	111	126
1967—											
January . . .	111	126	123	104	122	142	127	129	129	110	126
February . . .	109	131	124	108	122	149	118	136	131	115	126
March . . .	118	130	125	111	136	165	132	117	132	113	126
April . . .	114	132	123	115	130	153	124	136	134	115	127
May . . .	108	132	123	114	134	155	125	118	135	113	126
June . . .	119	134	127	113	132	162	133	138	132	114	128
July . . .	83	121	110	108	135	162	108	76	55	104	121
August . . .	108	127	75	99	95	159	130	130	122	97	127
September . . .	124	135	121	118	135	170	130	137	135	113	130
October . . .	122	135	127	121	140	171	144	141	137	115	130
November . . .	120	139	131	127	134	174	147	146	141	119	130
December . . .	116	134	131	128	125	182	134	127	138	115	129
1968—											
January . . .	116	..	127	110	128	166	138	131	134	113	128
February . . .	..	..	131	116	..	..	..	140	..	..	131

(a) Adjusted for number of working days.

(b) Includes construction.

REGISTRATIONS OF NEW MOTOR VEHICLES(a)

Period	Cars and station wagons		Utilities, panel vans, trucks(b), omnibuses, ambulances, hearses		Total (excluding motor cycles)		Motor cycles	Total motor vehicles
	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Original	Seasonally adjusted		
Monthly average								
1957-58	13,848	..	5,148	..	18,995	..	869	19,865
1958-59	14,692	..	5,528	..	20,220	..	837	21,056
1959-60	18,681	..	5,757	..	24,438	..	807	25,246
1960-61	18,594	..	4,931	..	23,526	..	655	24,181
1961-62	18,012	..	4,345	..	22,356	..	593	22,949
1962-63	23,745	..	5,007	..	28,752	..	452	29,204
1963-64	27,444	..	5,901	..	33,344	..	456	33,801
1964-65	28,962	..	6,123	..	35,085	..	624	35,709
1965-66	25,671	..	6,312	..	31,983	..	724	32,706
1966-67	26,181	..	6,330	..	32,511	..	1,100	33,611
Monthly total								
1965-66—								
February	22,605	25,001	5,599	6,533	28,204	31,495	1,381	29,585
March	26,937	24,602	6,346	5,925	33,283	30,551	1,511	34,794
April	25,646	27,067	5,264	5,706	30,910	32,824	1,296	32,206
May	28,207	27,773	5,765	5,232	33,972	32,638	1,506	35,478
June	24,525	24,756	6,417	6,044	30,942	31,047	1,092	32,034
1966-67—								
July	24,945	24,724	6,210	5,961	31,155	30,625	1,221	32,376
August	26,398	24,496	6,186	5,822	32,584	30,311	1,265	33,849
September	25,684	24,679	6,204	5,832	31,888	30,633	1,362	33,250
October	25,584	25,226	5,875	5,838	31,459	31,088	1,721	33,180
November	28,257	26,404	7,328	6,523	35,585	32,744	1,759	37,344
December	27,404	26,677	6,315	6,737	33,719	33,476	1,633	35,352
January	22,187	27,222	4,910	6,430	27,097	33,670	1,206	28,303
February	23,363	25,947	5,390	6,316	28,753	32,224	1,432	30,185
March	27,696	26,851	6,642	6,919	34,338	33,818	1,530	35,868
April	25,975	26,800	6,563	6,737	32,538	33,526	1,336	33,874
May	29,144	27,407	7,582	6,579	36,726	33,683	1,552	38,278
June	27,529	27,906	6,758	6,361	34,287	34,510	1,130	35,417
1967-68—								
July	27,331	27,279	6,765	6,475	34,096	33,707	1,262	35,358
August	30,210	27,590	7,023	6,582	37,233	34,216	1,283	38,516
September	28,553	28,604	6,343	6,236	34,896	34,973	1,373	36,269
October	31,442	29,997	6,882	6,558	38,324	36,539	1,764	40,088
November	32,476	30,413	7,056	6,279	39,532	36,461	1,813	41,345
December	29,635	30,107	5,618	6,281	35,253	36,488	1,625	36,878
January	25,675	30,136	5,366	6,716	31,041	36,925	1,744	32,785
February	29,703	31,381	5,847	6,533	35,550	37,940	2,493	38,043
March	31,643	31,454	5,453	5,604	37,096	37,245	2,333	39,429

(a) Registrations during period. Includes Commonwealth-owned vehicles except those belonging to the defence services. (b) Includes all truck-type vehicles.

RAILWAYS AND SHIPPING

Part of the shipping cargo is recorded in tons weight and part in tons measurement. As the total cannot be stated accurately as either tons weight or tons measurement, each is recorded and published separately; 1 'ton measurement' equals 40 cubic feet.

Period	Government railways				Overseas cargo				Interstate cargo shipped	
	Goods and livestock		Pas- senger- journeys	Gross earnings	Shipped from Australian ports		Discharged at Australian ports			
	Tons carried	Net ton- miles			'000 tons weight	'000 tons measure- ment	'000 tons weight	'000 tons measure- ment	'000 tons weight	'000 tons measure- ment
	'000	Million	Million	\$ million						
Monthly average										
1957-58	3,771	567.4	41.2	29.7	614	124	1,143	243	1,051	96
1958-59	4,003	610.0	40.4	30.7	720	122	1,186	222	1,030	88
1959-60	4,264	667.1	39.9	32.4	843	123	1,288	272	1,076	113
1960-61	4,614	732.3	38.6	34.7	1,146	129	1,439	317	1,143	123
1961-62	4,630	735.2	38.5	34.6	1,443	128	1,459	230	1,138	99
1962-63	4,659	771.1	38.7	35.4	1,280	129	1,625	283	1,195	92
1963-64	5,145	875.0	39.2	38.7	1,645	155	1,731	329	1,303	101
1964-65	5,404	928.7	38.7	40.3	1,702	165	1,934	370	1,342	117
1965-66	5,362	917.6	38.3	39.6	1,812	170	2,013	343	1,348	124
1966-67	p5,719	p960.5	p37.8	p42.5	2,728	165	2,255	346	1,307	148
Monthly total										
1965-66—										
December	4,896	840.0	33.8	36.9	1,609	120	2,025	313	1,368	116
January	4,562	764.2	37.8	34.9	1,673	98	2,166	327	1,325	105
February	4,627	782.4	39.8	35.0	1,722	122	1,855	348	1,159	148
March	5,732	965.2	38.4	36.5	1,855	190	1,929	303	1,218	139
April	4,761	819.7	34.9	36.3	1,746	224	1,876	308	1,245	115
May	5,582	957.6	44.4	40.8	2,123	258	2,129	386	1,193	136
June	5,507	925.8	37.3	40.7	1,843	181	1,890	303	1,392	125
1966-67—	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p
July	5,696	917.9	40.2	38.9	2,142	152	2,078	291	1,317	135
August	5,886	930.5	39.1	41.3	2,447	159	2,325	415	1,417	141
September	5,784	918.5	41.6	41.6	2,262	157	2,503	312	1,360	154
October	5,573	891.6	38.1	40.0	2,516	149	2,152	359	1,381	156
November	5,724	924.9	35.2	41.8	2,541	140	2,160	364	1,263	160
December	5,494	933.0	33.2	42.0	2,690	155	2,289	310	1,261	146
January	4,983	860.9	36.5	40.5	2,962	96	2,446	330	1,215	117
February	5,912	1,043.6	40.8	44.6	2,866	110	2,186	302	1,184	159
March	5,699	987.7	35.6	43.4	3,054	209	2,250	352	1,340	160
April	5,632	984.5	35.4	42.8	3,108	222	2,279	350	1,270	149
May	6,429	1,116.9	43.7	48.1	3,143	264	2,251	367	1,399	156
June	5,810	1,015.9	34.7	45.1	3,010	165	2,140	397	1,282	140
1967-68—	p	p	p	p						
July	5,960	998.9	42.2	43.9						
August	6,503	1,089.7	35.3	47.4						
September	6,346	1,077.4	40.9	46.6						
October	6,424	1,084.3	38.0	46.9						
November	6,462	1,101.1	34.5	46.4						
December	5,249	922.8	32.9	40.3						

COMMUNICATION

POSTMASTER-GENERAL'S RECEIPTS, TELEPHONE SERVICES AND BROADCAST AND TELEVISION LICENCES

Period	Receipts of P.M.G.'s Department (a)	Telephone subscribers' services			Licences for broadcast and television receivers(b)				
		Effective applications during period(c)	Services connected during period	Services in operation at end of period	New issues of Licences			Licences in force at end of period	
					Broadcast	Television	Combined	Broadcast (including combined licences)	Television (including combined licences)
	\$ million	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000
	(d)	(d)	(d)	(e)	(d)	(d)	(d)		
1957-58	16.1	11.4	13.7	(e) 1,362	14.8	18.8	..	2,138	291
1958-59	17.2	13.4	13.8	(e) 1,443	21.0	24.8	..	2,264	578
1959-60	20.3	14.1	13.9	(e) 1,514	13.3	33.6	..	2,283	955
1960-61	22.7	14.1	15.1	1,631	12.9	26.9	..	2,256	1,217
1961-62	23.3	17.1	17.4	1,718	10.8	(f) 24.0	..	2,220	1,424
1962-63	25.1	22.5	22.1	1,812	14.5	24.4	..	2,240	1,655
1963-64	27.6	26.5	24.8	1,919	15.5	22.5	..	2,302	1,882
1964-65	31.1	23.9	25.4	2,010	(b) 14.1	(b) 19.5	(b) 19.4	2,358	2,045
1965-66	33.5	25.2	26.7	2,120	6.4	5.1	16.8	2,526	2,226
1966-67	35.9	27.7	28.2	2,235	6.0	5.0	17.5	2,538	2,405
	(g)	(g)	(g)		(g)	(g)	(g)		
1965-66—									
February	30.6	26.0	26.2	2,076	5.5	5.1	15.1	2,496	2,172
March	37.9	28.7	30.4	2,087	5.9	5.3	17.3	2,536	2,198
April	28.8	23.4	26.3	2,096	4.4	3.6	14.0	2,526	2,193
May	35.0	27.4	30.4	2,108	6.4	5.4	18.6	2,536	2,248
June	39.4	28.1	31.6	2,120	8.3	5.2	18.3	2,526	2,226
1966-67—									
July	32.8	27.4	27.1	2,130	5.9	6.3	20.1	2,505	2,245
August	35.4	25.9	27.2	2,140	6.7	5.8	21.1	2,516	2,269
September	34.2	29.4	29.8	2,151	5.6	4.7	17.7	2,519	2,282
October	33.8	26.6	27.7	2,161	6.4	5.2	17.7	2,526	2,292
November	36.4	26.7	27.2	2,170	5.9	4.2	14.6	2,536	2,308
December	35.5	23.6	25.3	2,179	4.2	3.3	11.4	2,517	2,274
January	35.5	27.2	25.7	2,186	4.7	3.2	12.9	2,505	2,336
February	36.0	29.6	26.5	2,193	7.5	6.1	20.8	2,539	2,340
March	38.1	25.5	25.5	2,202	7.6	6.5	21.7	2,532	2,363
April	34.1	31.9	32.4	2,214	5.5	4.5	15.6	2,531	2,367
May	38.3	27.6	29.7	2,224	5.9	5.5	18.1	2,528	2,378
June	40.5	31.0	33.4	2,235	5.6	4.9	18.8	2,538	2,405
1967-68p—									
July	36.2	28.0	28.8	2,245	5.6	4.8	18.4	2,544	2,410
August	38.5	28.7	29.1	2,255	6.0	5.5	19.9	2,549	2,432
September	34.6	31.2	31.2	2,267	5.0	4.6	16.8	2,536	2,436
October	40.6	27.7	29.2	2,277	5.0	4.7	16.9	2,548	2,445
November	41.3	28.7	28.9	2,287	5.0	4.0	16.1	2,552	2,454
December	36.8	26.2	28.7	2,298	4.9	3.7	13.9	2,558	2,430
January	31.5	27.3	24.6	2,304	4.2	3.0	13.4	2,541	2,439
February	41.0	34.7	31.7	2,315				2,593	2,490
March	42.2	32.4	31.2	2,326				2,591	2,501

(a) Actual collections. (b) Combined broadcast listeners' and television viewers' licences commenced 1 April 1965 and are issued to persons owning both television and broadcast receivers at the same address. New issues of combined licences may include renewal licences of either type. (c) Demand for telephone services, allowing for applications withdrawn during period. (d) Monthly average. (e) Exchange lines only. (f) From March 1962, excludes short-term hirers' licences which were previously included. (g) Monthly total.

BALANCE OF PAYMENTS

(\$ million)

CURRENT ACCOUNT(a)

Period	Exports f.o.b. (b)	Imports f.o.b. (b)	Balance of trade	Invisible Credits				Invisible Debits				Balance on current account
				Trans- portation and travel	Property income	Trans- fers	Other	Trans- portation and travel	Property income	Trans- fers	Other	
Quarterly average												
1962-63	530	516	14	64	19	18	29	115	89	32	23	-115
1963-64	682	559	123	74	24	26	34	130	98	37	27	- 11
1964-65	644	685	- 41	83	30	29	35	151	101	43	34	-193
1965-66	657	706	- 49	88	29	30	40	161	107	51	41	-222
1966-67	732	710	22	97	31	33	40	171	112	58	45	-163
Quarterly total												
1965-66—												
September	636	801	-165	87	29	29	38	155	110	44	42	-333
December	659	726	- 67	88	25	30	40	155	114	51	38	-242
March	636	657	- 21	90	30	30	42	156	101	48	39	-173
June	695	638	57	88	30	32	38	176	105	59	44	-139
1966-67—												
September	692	700	- 8	89	35	34	40	157	99	49	41	-156
December	704	666	38	91	27	32	38	166	125	58	42	-165
March	741	736	5	105	35	31	40	173	111	63	44	-175
June	789	736	53	102	27	37	43	189	113	61	53	-154
1967-68—												
September p	712	784	- 72	105	33	37	37	180	108	64	42	-254
December p	763	735	28	110	29	40	37	187	145	65	49	-202
March p	699	856	-157	115	34	46	45	204	117	56	51	-345

CAPITAL ITEMS(a)

Period	Government		Private		Non- official monetary trans- actions	Balancing item (d)	Net apparent capital inflow	Official Monetary Movements			
	Securities	Other	Marketing autho- rities	Other(c)				Change in net I.M.F. position	Change in inter- national reserves	Other	Net official monetary move- ments
Quarterly average											
1962-63	21	- 4	3	113	2	18	153	6	32	..	38
1963-64	5	-16	7	107	1	19	123	..	112	..	112
1964-65	- 6	- 6	-15	140	4	2	119	6	-80	..	-74
1965-66	- 7	10	8	157	3	66	237	10	5	..	15
1966-67	8	-11	-19	118	3	34	133	6	-44	8	-30
Quarterly total											
1965-66—											
September	- 1	22	- 8	*	..	209	222	22	-133	..	-111
December	20	40	- 6	*	3	212	269	9	18	..	27
March	-34	6	34	*	2	180	188	..	15	..	15
June	-11	-28	14	*	5	289	269	9	121	..	130
1966-67—											
September	-64	- 3	18	*	4	141	96	..	-89	29	-60
December	20	-34	- 5	*	4	142	127	..	-38	..	-38
March	28	18	-47	*	3	120	122	19	-73	1	-53
June	47	-24	-42	*	2	202	185	7	23	1	31
1967-68—											
September p	12	-49	33	*	6	194	196	- 3	-55	..	-58
December p	65	36	- 7	*	12	166	272	8	(e) 62	..	70
March p	5	19	17	*	- 2	343	382	12	25	..	37

(a) For current account balances, minus sign (—) denotes deficit; for capital items other than monetary movements, minus sign (—) denotes outflow; for monetary movements, minus sign (—) denotes decrease in international reserves or net I.M.F. position or an increase in net liabilities of the Reserve Bank to foreign central banks. (b) The amounts shown represent the recorded trade figures adjusted for balance of payments purposes. Adjustments affect both coverage and valuation. (c) Details of some components of other private capital movements are not available by quarters. Other private capital movements for these periods are therefore combined with the balancing item. (d) Includes items marked (*) for which quarterly details are not available. (e) Excludes reduction of \$113 million in the Australian dollar equivalent during November due to the devaluation of the pound sterling and a number of other currencies held as part of Australia's international reserves.

Note. For more detailed information see the half-yearly mimeographed bulletin *Balance of Payments*.

NATIONAL ACCOUNTS(a)

(\$ million)

GROSS NATIONAL PRODUCT, TURNOVER AND EXPENDITURE

Period	Gross national product at factor cost			Gross national product at market prices				plus imports of goods and services	National turnover of goods and services	less exports of goods and services	Gross national expenditure
	Farm	Non-farm	Total	Components			Total				
				Wages salaries and supplements	Gross operating surplus of trading enterprises	Indirect taxes less subsidies					
ORIGINAL											
Quarterly Average											
1962-63	449	3,180	3,629	2,016	1,613	430	4,058	654	4,712	623	4,090
1963-64	538	3,509	4,047	2,198	1,850	458	4,505	716	5,221	790	4,431
1964-65	518	3,926	4,444	2,453	1,990	516	4,960	870	5,829	762	5,067
1965-66	460	4,201	4,661	2,646	2,016	560	5,221	907	6,128	784	5,344
1966-67	552	4,558	5,110	2,877	2,232	598	5,707	922	6,630	869	5,761
Quarterly total											
1965-66—											
September	422	4,195	4,617	2,606	2,011	533	5,150	998	6,148	761	5,387
December	772	4,434	5,206	2,749	2,457	561	5,767	919	6,686	787	5,899
March	451	3,962	4,413	2,544	1,869	544	4,957	852	5,809	768	5,041
June	196	4,214	4,410	2,683	1,727	599	5,009	858	5,867	821	5,046
1966-67—											
September	431	4,477	4,908	2,816	2,092	562	5,470	899	6,369	822	5,547
December	921	4,784	5,705	2,967	2,738	580	6,285	868	7,153	835	6,318
March	660	4,334	4,994	2,770	2,224	615	5,609	951	6,560	883	5,677
June	194	4,635	4,829	2,956	1,873	635	5,464	972	6,436	935	5,501
1967-68—											
September	374	4,864	5,238	3,032	2,206	606	5,844	1,008	6,852	855	5,997
December	880	5,215	6,095	3,214	2,881	638	6,733	967	7,700	915	6,785
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED											
Quarterly Total											
1965-66—											
September	486	4,114	4,600	2,578	2,022	552	5,152	977	6,129	798	5,331
December	459	4,171	4,630	2,623	2,007	556	5,186	938	6,124	764	5,360
March	464	4,212	4,676	2,661	2,015	556	5,232	869	6,101	772	5,329
June	477	4,303	4,780	2,721	2,059	573	5,353	841	6,194	805	5,389
1966-67—											
September	462	4,400	4,862	2,793	2,069	581	5,443	880	6,323	859	5,464
December	560	4,518	5,078	2,846	2,232	575	5,653	886	6,539	812	5,727
March	539	4,601	5,140	2,883	2,257	629	5,769	971	6,740	889	5,851
June	535	4,734	5,269	2,997	2,272	607	5,876	954	6,830	915	5,915
1967-68—											
September	489	4,787	5,276	3,017	2,259	626	5,902	987	6,889	892	5,997
December	422	4,932	5,354	3,092	2,262	632	5,986	988	6,974	891	6,083

(a) For reference to concepts see *Australian National Accounts, National Income and Expenditure 1953-54 to 1966-67*, issued May 1968. See note (a) page 55.

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NATIONAL ACCOUNTS^(a)

(\$ million)

COMPONENTS OF GROSS NATIONAL EXPENDITURE

Period		Net current expenditure on goods and services			Gross fixed capital expenditure						Increase in the value of stocks	Statistical discrepancy	Gross national expenditure
		Personal consumption	Financial enterprises	Public authorities	Private				Public enterprises	Public authorities			
					Dwellings	Other new building and construction	All other	Total private					
ORIGINAL													
Quarterly Average													
1962-63		2,570	52	406	161	130	342	633	194	160	..	..	4,090
1963-64		2,769	58	444	188	143	390	721	212	180	..	..	4,431
1964-65		2,986	64	510	222	156	464	843	248	202	..	..	5,067
1965-66		3,155	71	593	222	187	512	921	275	220	..	..	5,344
1966-67		3,376	79	671	239	180	505	924	301	232	..	..	5,761
Quarterly Total													
1965-66—													
September		3,071	71	568	228	188	486	903	252	186	86	250	5,387
December		3,331	70	614	218	203	555	976	271	236	375	26	5,899
March		3,016	69	541	212	159	479	851	257	190	—8	125	5,041
June		3,202	73	651	228	197	530	955	319	268	—252	—170	5,046
1966-67—													
September		3,248	75	621	237	181	500	919	278	199	42	165	5,547
December		3,561	79	677	237	187	545	970	287	238	407	99	6,318
March		3,252	79	633	229	161	450	841	290	182	277	123	5,677
June		3,443	84	753	253	191	525	968	349	307	—259	—144	5,501
1967-68—													
September		3,495	87	684	263	209	472	944	312	207	72	196	5,997
December		3,833	89	785	260	245	536	1,040	331	246	426	35	6,785
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED													
Quarterly Total													
1965-66—													
September		3,102	70	598	223	184	501	908	270	216	167		5,331
December		3,124	70	593	220	189	521	930	274	228	141		5,360
March		3,172	70	587	218	181	532	931	278	221	70		5,329
June		3,222	74	599	226	192	498	916	278	216	84		5,389
1966-67—													
September		3,281	74	648	232	177	516	925	295	231	10		5,464
December		3,347	78	655	239	174	510	923	291	229	204		5,727
March		3,412	81	686	235	184	501	920	312	212	228		5,851
June		3,464	85	695	250	186	493	929	306	248	188		5,915
1967-68—													
September		3,536	85	710	257	205	487	949	329	240	148		5,997
December		3,610	88	760	262	228	501	991	336	236	62		6,083

(a) For reference to concepts see *Australian National Accounts, National Income and Expenditure 1953-54 to 1966-67*, issued May 1968. For explanatory matter on seasonally adjusted series see *Quarterly Estimates of National Income and Expenditure* No. 30, December Quarter 1967 and the supplement to that issue.

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NEW CAPITAL RAISINGS BY COMPANIES IN AUSTRALIA

The following statistics show the net amount of cash transferred from the investing public to companies in Australia through the types of capital specified. For this purpose the 'investing public' includes banks and life insurance companies (except when subscribing to issues by associated companies) and superannuation funds. The statistics do not include changes in bank overdraft, loans to authorised dealers in the short-term money market, or deposits accepted by banks, insurance companies, pastoral companies or building societies.

NEW MONEY RAISED BY COMPANIES IN AUSTRALIA (\$ million)

Period	Companies listed on stock exchanges				Companies not listed on stock exchanges			Grand total
	Share capital	Debentures registered notes and deposits	Total		Share capital	Secured loans (a)	Total	
			Original	Seasonally adjusted				
Quarterly average								
1961-62	38.1	49.8	87.9	..	13.7	3.5	17.2	105.1
1962-63	26.2	57.5	83.7	..	11.4	3.3	14.7	98.4
1963-64	31.6	40.2	71.8	..	12.1	5.7	17.8	89.6
1964-65	36.7	42.2	78.9	..	12.9	6.3	19.2	98.1
1965-66	42.8	37.6	80.4	..	12.7	5.8	18.5	98.9
1966-67	28.0	49.5	77.5	..	10.0	9.1	19.1	96.6
Quarterly total								
1964-65—								
June	35.5	33.7	69.2	85.5	15.1	3.5	18.6	87.8
1965-66—								
September	32.0	54.0	86.0	74.1	11.0	3.4	14.4	100.4
December	65.2	37.7	102.9	72.2	14.3	7.1	21.4	124.3
March	28.3	30.6	58.9	84.6	9.5	4.3	13.8	72.7
June	45.8	28.1	73.9	91.1	16.0	8.3	24.3	98.2
1966-67—								
September	19.9	95.7	115.6	103.8	8.2	9.0	17.2	132.8
December	46.9	37.2	84.1	53.0	10.9	12.3	23.2	107.3
March	12.8	55.2	68.0	93.6	8.0	7.5	15.5	83.5
June	32.4	9.9	42.3	59.5	13.0	7.6	20.6	62.9
1967-68—								
September	15.0	77.5	92.5	81.1	8.8	5.7	14.5	107.0
December	46.5	89.4	135.9	104.5				

(a) Secured over entire assets of borrowing company.

TOTAL NEW MONEY RAISED BY COMPANIES IN AUSTRALIA BY INDUSTRY GROUPS(a)(b) (\$ million)

Period	Manufacturing			Finance and property			Commerce			Other industries		
	Listed companies	Unlisted companies	Total	Listed companies	Unlisted companies	Total	Listed companies	Unlisted companies	Total	Listed companies	Unlisted companies	Total
Quarterly Average												
1961-62	35.8	3.5	39.3	25.6	5.4	31.0	13.6	2.9	16.5	12.9	4.6	17.5
1962-63	17.1	3.5	20.6	41.2	4.2	45.4	14.3	2.6	16.9	11.1	3.8	14.9
1963-64	11.2	7.1	18.3	28.0	4.5	32.5	23.0	2.1	25.1	9.6	3.2	12.8
1964-65	26.5	8.1	34.6	33.2	3.3	36.5	6.9	2.6	9.5	12.3	4.5	16.8
1965-66	43.7	6.6	50.3	22.1	3.5	25.6	5.3	2.9	8.3	9.4	4.6	14.0
1966-67	31.6	6.1	37.7	24.9	3.4	28.3	7.8	2.3	10.1	13.1	6.6	19.7
Quarterly Total												
1964-65—												
June	19.8	6.6	26.4	14.5	2.8	17.3	14.9	2.7	17.6	19.9	5.2	25.1
1965-66—												
September	44.2	6.1	50.3	41.9	1.9	43.8	c—9.7	2.6	c—7.1	9.6	3.3	12.9
December	57.0	8.2	65.2	21.0	4.7	25.7	10.3	3.3	13.6	14.6	4.5	19.1
March	25.8	3.6	29.4	9.9	2.5	12.4	15.4	2.6	18.0	7.9	4.5	12.4
June	47.6	8.5	56.1	15.6	4.9	20.5	5.3	3.2	8.5	5.4	6.3	11.7
1966-67—												
September	70.0	6.4	76.4	34.5	3.1	37.6	5.9	1.5	7.4	5.1	5.6	10.7
December	32.7	3.4	36.1	12.9	5.4	18.3	19.9	2.2	22.1	18.6	11.5	30.1
March	17.3	6.3	23.6	36.2	1.8	38.0	7.2	2.5	9.7	7.3	4.3	11.6
June	6.5	8.2	14.7	16.0	3.5	19.5	c—1.7	3.0	1.3	21.5	5.0	26.5
1967-68—												
September	22.0	3.8	25.8	65.3	2.8	68.1	c—4.4	2.2	c—2.2	9.9	5.2	15.1
December	18.1			82.4			14.4			20.9		

(a) Small share issues of less than \$2,000 each, made by unlisted companies, are not included. (b) Holding companies are classified according to the predominant activity of the group. (c) Excess of repayments over receipts of new money.

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RESERVE BANK OF AUSTRALIA

CENTRAL BANKING BUSINESS (INCLUDING NOTE ISSUE DEPARTMENT)

(\$ million)

Period	Notes on issue		Accounts of trading banks				Deposits of savings banks	Other liabilities (excluding capital and re-serves)	Gold and foreign exchange	Australian Government securities redeemable in Australia		All other assets
	Held by public	Total	Statutory Reserve Deposit	Term Loan Fund (a)	Farm Development Loan Fund (b)	Other deposits of trading banks				Treasury bills and treasury notes	Other	
Average of Weekly Figures												
1962-63	750.1	876.5	424.5	92.2	..	26.8	356.4	257.2	1,095.7	308.8	515.1	171.1
1963-64	744.0	876.7	531.4	68.8	..	14.0	420.3	278.4	1,399.7	232.5	428.7	189.4
1964-65	745.4	887.1	701.6	48.8	..	13.6	434.4	284.2	1,490.7	193.0	534.4	216.9
1965-66	709.0	871.6	607.8	41.0	13.0	12.9	437.1	274.2	1,207.6	294.9	539.0	286.3
1966-67	752.5	908.8	476.1	42.6	41.7	8.9	455.5	277.9	1,173.8	313.8	439.9	358.5
1965-66—												
March	678.2	883.4	665.1	35.3	..	10.7	449.6	278.4	1,183.1	414.2	369.3	426.7
April	701.7	861.7	525.9	52.6	50.0	10.0	440.3	268.5	1,182.7	288.0	443.8	365.4
May	688.1	843.7	481.3	50.7	49.9	10.4	439.0	272.8	1,227.7	172.0	503.3	315.5
June	691.7	847.0	473.5	47.5	49.7	13.0	426.4	290.7	1,284.8	65.2	568.1	300.6
1966-67—												
July	700.0	847.8	470.6	43.2	49.2	13.2	423.1	264.9	1,271.2	45.0	607.5	259.1
August	720.4	869.5	466.2	39.1	48.3	7.4	425.7	268.4	1,269.1	170.4	526.7	231.6
September	730.1	880.0	468.4	37.7	47.2	7.0	419.7	269.8	1,209.4	292.0	466.8	236.4
October	734.0	883.3	472.7	34.9	45.9	6.7	423.2	258.5	1,210.2	315.8	445.8	228.3
November	743.8	892.9	481.0	31.0	44.3	7.0	429.2	267.9	1,205.1	464.1	359.4	199.5
December(c)	807.8	973.3	462.7	52.6	42.9	6.2	432.3	266.4	1,184.4	592.4	335.3	199.0
January	766.2	930.0	470.8	55.3	41.5	9.1	473.7	278.8	1,166.8	515.5	349.7	302.0
February	752.3	910.0	478.3	49.8	40.0	10.7	480.0	294.4	1,147.3	407.0	321.0	462.6
March	773.7	927.7	487.7	45.9	38.5	9.9	483.3	300.2	1,120.9	400.3	301.8	544.9
April	767.0	927.3	491.4	44.7	36.4	10.5	485.3	280.1	1,096.7	288.3	411.5	554.2
May	771.2	937.5	481.9	42.9	34.5	9.4	490.7	289.2	1,093.9	218.2	524.6	524.1
June	778.4	945.0	475.2	39.2	32.5	9.2	492.8	289.7	1,114.6	126.3	613.9	503.6
1967-68—												
July	780.8	941.8	470.7	35.1	30.3	8.5	491.7	288.5	1,068.6	93.2	728.2	451.5
August	797.5	954.5	469.2	31.7	27.8	8.8	498.7	278.1	1,055.2	148.6	719.8	421.5
September	806.9	966.1	471.8	30.7	25.0	9.0	519.6	284.7	1,066.7	254.9	688.4	375.3
October	808.9	971.1	475.6	29.7	22.8	8.4	528.1	295.4	1,092.6	301.0	686.0	329.7
November	815.7	974.5	484.1	28.6	20.9	8.6	532.1	271.0	1,084.2	329.5	699.8	280.8
December(c)	882.0	1,058.1	494.6	28.3	19.1	8.9	519.9	193.3	1,040.1	361.9	668.5	320.6
January	842.2	1,015.9	507.9	24.4	17.1	9.6	509.7	187.8	1,010.4	219.1	680.6	431.2
February	824.3	987.1	502.4	39.9	15.1	8.8	504.3	168.8	1,006.3	128.9	694.6	465.3
March	831.7	992.6	589.9	54.9	13.5	9.5	496.2	191.5	991.9	162.4	712.9	449.7
April		1,025.3	473.3	53.9	29.4	9.2	484.3	199.0	1,019.9			419.2

(a) Term Loan Fund was established in mid-April 1962. (b) Farm Development Loan Fund was established in April 1966.

(c) Excludes fourth Wednesday. (d) Bank exempted from furnishing a return for second Wednesday. (e) Notes on issue include abnormal stocks of notes held by banks during the changeover to decimal currency.

RESERVE BANK OF AUSTRALIA^(a)

RURAL CREDITS DEPARTMENT: ADVANCES

Period	\$ million	Period	\$million
Average of Weekly Figures		Average of Weekly Figures	
1957-58	67.3	November	96.9
1958-59	93.5	December ^(b)	93.5
1959-60	125.2	January	190.2
1960-61	144.7	February	350.8
1961-62	137.0	March	430.2
1962-63	133.4	April	424.0
1963-64	143.7	May	407.2
1964-65	161.0	June	372.1
1965-66	195.8		
1966-67	245.9		
1965-66—		1967-68—	
March	271.5	July	342.6
April	238.7	August	323.7
May	204.2	September	275.1
June	188.4	October	233.5
1966-67—		November	186.8
July	158.3	December ^(b)	211.2
August	130.3	January	328.0
September	124.6	February	357.2
October	112.1	March	332.0
		April	301.5

(a) Prior to 14 January 1960, the Commonwealth Bank of Australia.

(b) Bank exempted from furnishing a return for fourth Wednesday.

COMMONWEALTH DEVELOPMENT BANK OF AUSTRALIA^(a)

ADVANCES

(\$ million)

Period	Hire purchase	Other	Period	Hire purchase	Other
Average of Weekly Figures			Average of Weekly Figures		
1957-58	32.1	29.9	November	55.7	131.8
1958-59	34.7	30.2	December ^(b)	57.2	135.6
1959-60	35.7	31.9	January	56.4	136.7
1960-61	37.9	35.1	February	54.5	137.4
1961-62	39.9	48.7	March	51.8	139.5
1962-63	41.5	61.7	April	51.8	141.6
1963-64	43.6	71.6	May	52.3	144.2
1964-65	49.1	87.0	June	52.7	148.0
1965-66	52.4	106.8			
1966-67	53.6	134.5			
1965-66—			1967-68—		
March	51.5	110.2	July	53.1	149.3
April	52.2	112.8	August	53.0	151.4
May	52.8	115.4	September	52.8	153.6
June	53.0	118.4	October	53.4	155.4
1966-67—			November	55.5	157.3
July	53.1	120.8	December ^(b)	56.5	161.1
August	53.1	123.3	January	55.9	161.4
September	53.1	126.2	February	54.0	162.0
October	53.5	128.8	March	53.1	163.0
			April	53.7	164.4

(a) Prior to 14 January 1960, Industrial Finance and Mortgage Bank Departments of Commonwealth Bank of Australia.

(b) Bank exempted from furnishing a return for fourth Wednesday.

MAJOR TRADING BANKS(a)

SELECTED LIABILITIES AND ASSETS WITHIN AUSTRALIA(b)

(\$ million)

Period	Deposits				Coin, bullion, notes, and cash with Reserve Bank	Commonwealth and State Government securities		Loans to authorised dealers in the short-term money market	Statutory Reserve Deposit Account with Reserve Bank	Loans, advances and bills discounted				
	Fixed	Current	Total			Treasury bills and Treasury notes	Other			Temporary advances to wool-buyers (c)	Term loans (d)	Other (e)	Total	
			Original	Seasonally adjusted									Original	Seasonally adjusted
Average of Weekly Figures														
1961-62	1,068	2,546	3,613	..	143.7	49.1	740.2	61.8	434.5	76.8	..	1,928	2,004	..
1962-63	1,194	2,614	3,808	..	158.8	68.6	748.7	64.0	423.6	83.7	24.2	2,013	2,121	..
1963-64	1,338	2,847	4,185	..	137.1	109.6	866.2	64.4	530.3	108.7	84.4	2,020	2,213	..
1964-65	1,679	2,995	4,674	..	144.6	114.1	932.3	74.6	700.6	109.3	152.4	2,169	2,430	..
1965-66	1,943	2,984	4,927	..	160.8	87.7	987.4	70.6	606.8	114.3	190.9	2,404	2,709	..
1966-67	2,087	3,157	5,244	..	152.4	85.4	1,169.4	82.3	475.1	121.1	233.9	2,616	2,971	..
1965-66—														
March	2,027	3,126	5,153	4,977	203.5	165.8	1,126.2	59.7	664.1	129.9	195.6	2,372	2,698	2,771
April	2,019	3,077	5,096	5,025	166.5	79.3	1,070.8	80.6	524.9	131.3	198.0	2,463	2,792	2,779
May	2,016	2,994	5,010	5,050	154.9	49.3	1,034.8	79.5	480.4	125.9	200.7	2,492	2,819	2,785
June	2,003	2,990	4,992	5,080	150.2	38.5	1,019.0	61.0	472.6	123.5	207.0	2,514	2,845	2,793
1966-67—														
July	2,002	2,937	4,939	5,088	145.2	44.2	1,002.5	87.7	469.7	115.9	211.7	2,573	2,901	2,823
August	2,028	2,955	4,984	5,133	144.7	39.3	1,050.6	91.4	465.2	86.9	216.3	2,563	2,866	2,830
September	2,029	3,000	5,029	5,163	143.8	68.4	1,101.7	73.7	467.4	102.9	218.5	2,544	2,866	2,862
October	2,033	3,092	5,125	5,200	145.7	74.6	1,132.0	84.1	471.7	124.0	222.5	2,569	2,915	2,885
November	2,058	3,160	5,218	5,213	146.5	66.7	1,190.9	78.7	480.0	144.3	226.6	2,560	2,931	2,920
December(f)	2,070	3,228	5,298	5,221	167.3	72.8	1,202.1	75.3	461.6	154.4	229.3	2,569	2,952	2,974
January	2,114	3,269	5,383	5,262	162.1	160.4	1,287.0	89.1	469.7	118.4	238.2	2,577	2,934	2,998
February	2,143	3,346	5,489	5,300	153.0	190.4	1,342.6	81.9	477.2	123.7	242.0	2,546	2,912	3,024
March	2,149	3,367	5,516	5,324	151.0	174.2	1,334.8	83.5	486.6	138.9	244.5	2,579	2,962	3,040
April	2,136	3,236	5,373	5,301	155.3	78.0	1,203.8	86.0	490.3	121.1	247.0	2,718	3,086	3,070
May	2,138	3,172	5,310	5,352	160.0	34.9	1,121.5	79.5	480.7	116.8	251.6	2,768	3,137	3,098
June	2,129	3,136	5,265	5,357	160.0	24.1	1,065.8	73.5	474.0	113.7	255.9	2,811	3,181	3,124
1967-68—														
July	2,150	3,109	5,258	5,421	151.7	22.8	1,063.1	86.9	469.6	107.8	259.6	2,877	3,244	3,157
August	2,170	3,128	5,298	5,456	150.2	23.4	1,092.8	79.9	468.1	75.6	264.2	2,889	3,229	3,190
September	2,200	3,142	5,342	5,484	150.4	40.8	1,143.3	76.2	470.7	86.2	266.4	2,876	3,229	3,224
October	2,235	3,212	5,447	5,526	153.1	46.8	1,173.0	72.9	474.5	102.8	268.7	2,939	3,311	3,277
November	2,283	3,309	5,592	5,589	149.4	63.2	1,215.5	88.6	482.9	115.9	268.6	2,928	3,312	3,302
December(f)	2,310	3,407	5,717	5,633	173.8	75.2	1,270.5	78.4	493.4	118.6	274.4	2,914	3,307	3,332
January	2,327	3,492	5,819	5,689	167.0	193.4	1,320.5	96.1	506.6	101.5	275.3	2,890	3,267	3,337
February	2,333	3,483	5,816	5,613	152.7	224.1	1,339.0	59.0	501.1	120.2	277.7	2,890	3,288	3,413
March	2,340	3,492	5,831	5,627	150.1	186.7	1,299.2	63.7	488.6	126.7	279.8	2,948	3,354	3,441
April	2,319	3,441	5,759	5,686	147.1	88.9	1,208.5	61.0	472.0	131.6	284.4	3,088	3,504	3,483

(a) Commonwealth Trading Bank, Australia and New Zealand Bank Ltd, The Bank of Adelaide, Bank of New South Wales, The Commercial Bank of Australia Ltd, The Commercial Banking Company of Sydney Ltd, The English, Scottish and Australian Bank Ltd, The National Bank of Australasia Ltd. (b) Includes Papua and New Guinea. (c) These advances represent temporary finance for the purchase of wool in Australia pending transfer to overseas or local principals. (d) Loans made from Term Loan Fund Account. (e) Includes from June 1966, loans made from Farm Development Loan Fund Account. (f) Banks were exempted from furnishing a return for fourth Wednesday. (g) Coin and notes include abnormal stocks of currency held during the changeover to decimal currency.

MAJOR TRADING BANKS(a)

RATIOS OF SELECTED ASSETS AND LIABILITIES TO TOTAL DEPOSITS WITHIN AUSTRALIA(b)

(Per cent)

Period	Percentages of various categories of assets to total deposits					Percentage non-interest bearing to total deposits
	Cash (coin, bullion, notes and cash with Reserve Bank)	Cash + Treasury bills and Treasury notes	Cash + Treasury bills and Treasury notes + other Commonwealth Government securities	Statutory Reserve Deposit Account with Reserve Bank	Loans (other than loans to authorised dealers in the short-term money market), advances and bills discounted	
Average of Weekly Figures						
1961-62	4.0	5.9	26.4	12.0	55.5	65.0
1962-63	3.6	5.4	25.1	11.1	55.7	62.7
1963-64	3.3	5.9	26.6	12.7	52.9	61.9
1964-65	3.1	5.5	25.5	15.0	52.0	58.0
1965-66	3.3	5.1	25.1	12.3	55.0	54.2
1966-67	2.9	4.5	26.8	9.1	56.7	54.0
1965-66—						
March	(d)3.9	(d)7.1	(d)29.0	12.9	52.4	54.4
April	(d)3.3	(d)4.9	(d)25.8	10.3	54.8	54.3
May	3.1	4.1	24.7	9.6	56.3	53.5
June	3.0	3.8	24.2	9.5	57.0	53.5
1966-67—						
July	2.9	3.8	24.1	9.5	58.7	52.9
August	2.9	3.7	24.8	9.3	57.5	52.8
September	2.9	4.3	26.1	9.3	57.0	53.4
October	2.8	4.3	26.4	9.2	56.9	53.8
November	2.8	4.1	26.9	9.2	56.2	54.3
December(c)	3.2	4.6	27.2	8.7	55.7	54.7
January	3.0	6.0	29.9	8.7	54.5	54.6
February	2.8	6.3	30.7	8.7	53.0	54.8
March	2.7	5.9	30.1	8.8	53.7	54.9
April	2.9	4.4	26.7	9.1	57.4	54.2
May	3.0	3.7	24.8	9.1	59.1	53.7
June	3.0	3.5	23.7	9.0	60.4	53.5
1967-68—						
July	2.9	3.3	23.5	8.9	61.7	52.7
August	2.8	3.2	23.9	8.8	60.9	52.6
September	2.8	3.6	25.0	8.8	60.4	52.6
October	2.8	3.7	25.2	8.7	60.8	52.8
November	2.7	3.8	25.5	8.6	59.2	52.9
December(c)	3.0	4.3	26.6	8.6	57.8	53.9
January	2.9	6.2	28.9	8.7	56.1	54.2
February	2.6	6.5	29.5	8.6	56.5	53.9
March	2.6	5.8	28.1	8.4	57.5	53.8
April	2.6	4.1	25.1	8.2	60.8	53.4

(a) See footnote (a) page 59. (b) Includes Papua and New Guinea. (c) Banks were exempted from furnishing a return for fourth Wednesday. (d) These ratios are inflated by abnormal stocks of currency held by banks during the changeover to decimal currency.

MAJOR TRADING BANKS(a)

NEW AND INCREASED LENDING COMMITMENTS AND OVERDRAFT LIMITS

(Source: Reserve Bank of Australia)

(\$ million)

New and increased lending commitments(b)				Overdraft limits(c)	
Weekly average for period ending second Wednesday of—	Aggregate	Term Loan component	Farm Development Loan Fund component	At second Wednesday of—	Total outstanding
1961-62(d)	20.0	..	..	July—	
1962-63(d)	22.0	1.8	..	1962	3,465.5
1963-64(d)	22.5	1.7	..	1963	3,642.7
1964-65(d)	21.7	1.4	..	1964	3,801.0
1965-66(d)	22.8	1.3	0.1	1965	3,932.2
1966-67(d)	30.9	2.2	0.5	1966	4,089.8
				1967	4,506.7
1966—				1966—	
March	24.6	2.0	..	March	3,969.4
April	24.5	1.3	..	April	3,989.2
May	25.5	1.0	0.3	May	4,020.6
June	25.3	1.3	0.4	June	4,059.4
July	28.6	1.2	0.4	July	4,089.8
August	26.8	1.8	0.5	August	4,111.4
September	25.8	1.7	0.4	September	4,146.8
October	27.4	2.0	0.6	October	4,173.1
November	29.0	1.5	0.4	November	4,214.4
December	30.5	1.8	0.4	December	4,260.6
1967—				1967—	
January	25.7	2.2	0.4	January	4,250.3
February	28.4	2.0	0.5	February	4,257.0
March	42.6	3.3	0.6	March	4,330.1
April	35.2	2.0	0.5	April	4,397.3
May	35.9	3.2	0.7	May	4,448.2
June	31.1	2.7	0.8	June	4,495.3
July	33.0	2.1	0.6	July	4,506.7
August	32.6	2.0	0.6	August	4,544.0
September	30.7	1.7	0.5	September	4,577.6
October	28.5	1.6	0.5	October	4,601.6
November	33.5	1.7	0.6	November	4,631.8
December	34.5	1.6	0.6	December	4,686.9
1968—				1968—	
January	29.7	1.7	0.4	January	4,719.4
February	29.7	2.3	0.4	February	4,735.5
March	34.8	2.6	0.4	March	4,782.6
April	38.7	2.2	0.5	April	4,845.7

(a) See footnote (a) page 59. (b) This series has been compiled from information supplied by the major trading banks as at second Wednesday of each month. Prior to July 1962, the series covered all new and increased lending commitments entered into by banks which require the approval of a formal limit on a customer's overdraft account. Commitments in respect of temporary advances to woolbuyers and in respect of term loans were excluded. As from July 1962, the series has been extended to include new commitments in respect of the term lending arrangements established in mid-April 1962. The figures represent gross new lending commitments of banks and do not take account of cancellations and reductions of existing limits. Figures for cancellations and reductions of existing limits can be estimated from this series (after deducting term loan and farm development loan components and adjusting the weekly average to a monthly basis) in conjunction with that of overdraft limits. However, such estimates should be regarded as an approximation only, since there are unavoidable differences in the basis of compilation of the two series. (c) Excludes limits in respect of temporary advances to woolbuyers and term loans. (d) Year ended second Wednesday of July.

ALL CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS(a)
 SELECTED LIABILITIES AND ASSETS WITHIN AUSTRALIA(b)
 (\$ million)

Period	Deposits				Coin, bullion, notes and cash with Reserve Bank	Commonwealth and State Government securities		Loans to authorised dealers in the short-term money market	Statutory Reserve Deposit Account with Reserve Bank	Loans (other than loans to authorised dealers in the short-term money market), advances and bills discounted
	Fixed	Current		Total		Treasury bills and Treasury notes	Other			
		Bearing interest	Not bearing interest							
Average of Weekly Figures										
1961-62	1,110.7	241.5	2,441.0	3,793.2	154.9	69.9	784.1	66.6	435.5	2,216.2
1962-63	1,255.5	266.6	2,490.0	4,012.2	149.6	72.1	793.7	68.4	424.5	2,365.3
1963-64	1,422.7	301.1	2,706.2	4,430.0	143.6	114.5	929.7	73.9	531.4	2,487.9
1964-65	1,784.7	328.6	2,838.7	4,951.9	151.7	121.0	1,017.7	85.1	701.6	2,732.0
1965-66	2,073.0	361.0	2,797.8	5,231.7	170.7	89.1	1,080.7	83.8	607.8	3,040.0
1966-67	2,226.9	381.1	2,970.0	5,578.0	161.7	89.3	1,284.4	98.5	476.1	3,319.2
1965-66—										
March	2,161.3	370.3	2,938.8	5,470.4	(d) 212.8	168.7	1,235.3	72.9	665.1	3,025.4
April	2,152.5	359.2	2,900.3	5,412.0	(d) 174.2	83.4	1,177.2	92.4	525.9	3,124.2
May	2,150.9	367.6	2,807.7	5,326.2	162.6	53.6	1,138.0	92.5	481.3	3,155.6
June	2,135.9	370.9	2,801.5	5,308.4	162.8	40.0	1,116.6	74.8	473.5	3,182.8
1966-67—										
July	2,134.3	378.5	2,734.7	5,247.5	157.2	44.6	1,091.9	105.4	470.6	3,243.0
August	2,165.4	373.1	2,759.2	5,297.6	151.7	39.8	1,150.2	109.6	466.2	3,208.1
September	2,165.7	370.1	2,814.3	5,350.1	150.7	70.3	1,204.7	96.1	468.4	3,209.9
October	2,169.4	385.3	2,892.1	5,446.7	152.7	77.5	1,240.7	99.0	472.7	3,261.4
November	2,196.4	380.3	2,967.3	5,544.0	153.5	68.5	1,303.2	92.1	481.0	3,278.4
December(c)	2,208.6	380.3	3,039.9	5,628.8	174.9	73.7	1,315.1	87.4	462.7	3,303.7
January	2,253.9	381.5	3,080.9	5,716.2	171.4	173.0	1,399.7	103.9	470.8	3,274.9
February	2,283.9	389.3	3,161.5	5,834.7	164.6	205.6	1,466.5	95.1	478.3	3,253.0
March	2,292.7	392.8	3,182.3	5,867.9	161.3	182.1	1,464.4	101.3	487.7	3,307.7
April	2,282.7	381.4	3,064.2	5,728.2	165.7	79.6	1,337.4	104.2	491.4	3,440.3
May	2,283.3	380.9	2,995.2	5,659.4	170.6	35.8	1,251.5	94.8	481.9	3,495.8
June	2,274.8	378.9	2,960.0	5,613.7	172.3	24.6	1,187.0	88.8	475.2	3,547.8
1967-68—										
July	2,301.8	391.2	2,911.8	5,604.8	162.2	23.9	1,181.9	99.1	470.7	3,619.2
August	2,330.4	401.7	2,923.3	5,655.5	160.6	24.2	1,209.0	96.1	469.2	3,609.3
September	2,363.8	391.2	2,950.7	5,705.7	160.8	41.9	1,260.4	92.4	471.8	3,617.5
October	2,402.1	397.9	3,015.7	5,815.7	163.8	48.4	1,293.8	89.2	475.6	3,705.3
November	2,453.1	408.9	3,106.5	5,968.6	160.0	67.2	1,335.7	105.2	484.1	3,713.9
December(c)	2,480.9	382.8	3,236.7	6,100.5	184.9	82.5	1,388.8	92.3	494.6	3,712.6
January	2,498.5	398.6	3,309.5	6,206.6	179.2	217.4	1,438.5	111.1	507.9	3,663.2
February	2,502.1	409.4	3,289.2	6,200.7	163.7	248.2	1,457.0	70.9	502.4	3,687.5
March	2,509.7	419.6	3,284.7	6,214.1	161.0	206.3	1,417.8	75.8	489.9	3,760.2
April	2,493.5	424.8	3,223.7	6,142.0	157.7	98.3	1,327.4	73.5	473.3	3,919.2

(a) Covers the Major Trading Banks, and in addition, the Bank of China, Bank of New Zealand, The Brisbane Permanent Building and Banking Co. Ltd, Banque Nationale de Paris, the General Bank Department of the Rural Bank of New South Wales, State Bank of South Australia, and the Rural Department of the Rural and Industries Bank of Western Australia. (b) Includes Papua and New Guinea. (c) Banks were exempted from furnishing a return for fourth Wednesday. (d) Coin and notes include abnormal stocks of currency held during the changeover to decimal currency.

ALL CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS (a)

DEBITS TO CUSTOMERS' ACCOUNTS

(Excluding debits to Australian Government Account at city branches in State capitals)

(\$ million)

Period	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory	Australian Capital Territory	Total
Average of Weekly Figures									
1957-58	460.7	414.1	131.3	88.6	60.4	25.9	1.5	3.1	1,185.5
1958-59	497.8	449.5	140.5	92.4	61.5	27.7	1.6	4.0	1,274.8
1959-60	592.6	529.1	158.3	106.8	69.7	31.0	1.9	5.4	1,494.7
1960-61	644.9	565.9	163.8	116.0	75.7	32.5	2.0	6.7	1,607.5
1961-62	654.0	590.0	164.4	116.2	80.4	32.1	2.2	7.9	1,647.1
1962-63	713.1	650.5	195.1	131.6	88.2	35.1	2.5	10.2	1,816.4
1963-64	824.8	733.2	213.2	155.1	96.4	37.1	2.8	11.5	2,073.9
1964-65	935.2	825.3	232.9	170.4	106.3	41.3	3.4	14.5	2,329.3
1965-66	949.0	847.7	232.5	172.8	122.4	43.2	3.8	15.3	2,386.7
1966-67	1,080.2	940.0	256.9	184.4	138.6	47.3	4.5	17.0	2,668.9
1965-66—									
March	961.6	851.8	224.9	175.4	128.6	45.4	3.6	15.6	2,406.9
April	949.7	874.1	228.1	175.6	119.5	43.6	3.4	15.4	2,409.4
May	1,026.8	939.0	241.4	196.6	136.3	49.5	4.3	18.7	2,612.6
June	1,010.1	875.2	243.9	177.4	129.2	49.2	4.2	18.6	2,507.8
1966-67—									
July	1,075.2	938.1	265.4	184.8	129.2	47.6	4.3	16.3	2,660.7
August	979.9	863.3	234.1	165.6	122.5	42.1	4.4	15.4	2,427.4
September	975.7	889.5	257.5	175.5	118.6	41.8	4.5	14.2	2,477.4
October	1,052.7	985.3	262.6	190.0	135.8	45.2	4.4	18.6	2,694.7
November	1,120.5	963.7	264.0	189.8	135.4	45.7	5.1	17.6	2,741.7
December	1,109.3	984.0	269.9	177.1	146.1	51.9	4.3	17.5	2,760.1
January	1,045.9	881.2	250.8	179.9	154.5	42.5	4.5	13.0	2,572.2
February	1,104.9	927.8	249.4	195.8	143.0	46.4	4.0	14.3	2,685.5
March	1,028.4	862.5	237.0	178.8	138.3	48.5	4.2	16.5	2,514.2
April	1,164.8	1,007.0	275.7	196.8	149.9	52.9	4.5	20.1	2,871.7
May	1,170.1	994.5	258.2	196.6	150.4	53.2	4.9	19.9	2,847.8
June	1,140.9	1,002.6	266.0	183.9	141.7	49.1	5.2	20.0	2,809.5
1967-68—									
July	1,269.6	1,055.2	292.1	197.6	154.0	54.3	5.6	18.5	3,046.9
August	1,083.0	943.8	260.0	182.7	145.5	47.9	5.5	17.4	2,685.9
September	1,145.3	967.4	282.1	181.9	140.1	46.6	5.6	17.3	2,786.5
October	1,143.9	998.2	288.1	198.8	160.7	50.9	5.8	19.6	2,866.0
November	1,237.5	1,027.4	302.2	204.8	169.0	49.1	6.7	18.9	3,015.6
December	1,296.4	1,113.2	307.7	211.3	176.6	55.1	5.9	22.7	3,188.9
January	1,116.4	923.9	253.6	178.3	164.8	44.5	5.6	14.9	2,702.0
February	1,338.2	1,040.9	289.8	214.0	190.7	50.0	5.3	19.0	3,148.0
March	1,355.7	1,083.2	292.9	211.1	181.1	54.8	5.3	22.0	3,206.2
April	1,353.5	1,123.8	309.5	223.7	178.7	54.8	5.4	26.3	3,275.6

(a) Includes in addition to the banks included in series on page 62 the Rural Credits Department of the Reserve Bank and Commonwealth Development Bank.

SAVINGS BANKS

DEPOSITS

(\$ million)

At end of—	New South Wales	Victoria	Queens-land	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory	Australian Capital Territory	Australia	
									Original	Seasonally adjusted
June 1958	898.0	867.3	306.5	297.7	131.9	80.5	4.2	7.6	(a)2,593.7	2,592.9
" 1959	976.5	916.9	333.3	314.3	143.0	84.9	4.5	9.2	(a)2,782.7	2,778.9
" 1960	1,083.1	999.2	365.2	332.0	157.2	92.7	5.2	10.8	(a)3,045.4	3,047.0
" 1961	1,138.3	1,034.9	374.2	333.5	161.4	94.8	5.5	12.3	(a)3,154.9	3,156.6
" 1962	1,250.0	1,141.7	411.7	362.0	181.0	102.5	6.2	14.7	(a)3,469.8	3,467.0
" 1963	1,408.0	1,298.1	470.4	416.1	208.8	112.8	7.0	18.5	(a)3,939.7	3,942.4
" 1964	1,583.2	1,479.0	542.3	475.8	239.8	124.8	8.1	23.3	(a)4,476.2	4,471.3
" 1965	1,719.6	1,620.4	593.0	519.3	261.7	135.7	9.2	27.6	(a)4,886.6	4,880.2
" 1966	1,827.8	1,746.0	637.7	558.9	292.9	148.4	10.6	31.6	(a)5,253.7	5,253.4
" 1967	1,984.3	1,926.7	700.0	605.2	330.8	167.1	12.5	38.0	(a)5,764.7	5,756.1
1965-66—										
March	1,780.7	1,703.3	617.7	546.6	283.6	145.4	10.1	30.3	5,117.6	5,157.4
April	1,776.4	1,697.4	615.3	542.1	283.9	145.7	10.2	31.0	5,102.1	5,186.6
May	1,792.3	1,709.7	621.8	542.6	286.2	146.3	10.3	31.3	(a)5,140.5	5,212.7
June	1,827.8	1,746.0	637.7	558.9	292.9	148.4	10.6	31.6	(a)5,253.7	5,253.4
1966-67—										
July	1,838.8	1,768.0	646.8	564.2	296.5	150.0	10.9	32.4	5,307.7	5,285.0
August	1,852.4	1,787.2	652.5	566.9	300.8	152.3	11.4	32.9	5,356.4	5,323.6
September	1,860.2	1,799.7	658.7	569.0	305.0	153.7	11.5	33.7	5,391.4	5,354.3
October	1,877.8	1,822.1	665.7	573.4	309.3	154.3	11.7	34.2	5,448.5	5,392.1
November	1,884.5	1,833.8	668.3	575.1	310.5	155.0	11.9	35.3	5,474.4	5,433.3
December	1,880.4	1,835.2	667.5	576.7	309.9	155.1	11.6	35.1	5,471.4	5,460.9
January	1,895.0	1,852.1	668.5	580.3	312.6	156.3	11.4	35.5	5,511.7	5,505.8
February	1,904.6	1,861.2	670.4	585.3	315.5	160.1	11.4	36.1	5,544.4	5,548.7
March	1,903.0	1,863.6	669.7	587.3	318.2	161.7	11.5	36.2	5,551.3	5,592.6
April	1,910.5	1,860.6	670.8	586.9	319.1	162.3	11.8	36.2	5,558.2	5,642.3
May	1,937.6	1,879.9	681.6	587.6	322.6	164.3	12.1	37.1	(a)5,622.7	5,709.2
June	1,984.3	1,926.7	700.0	605.2	330.8	167.1	12.5	38.0	(a)5,764.7	5,756.1
1967-68—										
July	1,999.4	1,948.2	707.8	610.4	333.9	169.2	12.9	39.0	5,820.7	5,804.8
August	2,022.2	1,969.9	716.7	615.2	341.0	171.8	13.6	39.9	5,890.2	5,852.8
September	2,039.7	1,992.4	725.6	619.3	347.5	173.3	14.0	40.3	5,952.2	5,903.0
October	2,054.4	2,012.7	730.1	624.5	350.5	173.9	14.2	40.9	6,001.2	5,948.8
November	2,061.0	2,024.3	734.2	628.2	352.9	174.2	14.2	41.6	6,030.5	5,984.1
December	2,052.5	2,024.6	734.1	628.5	353.6	173.5	14.0	40.7	6,021.4	6,002.5
January	2,062.7	2,035.6	731.8	629.6	355.7	174.1	13.9	42.7	6,046.1	6,049.1
February	2,071.4	2,042.4	735.0	632.3	359.3	175.1	13.7	41.9	6,071.1	6,074.6
March	2,068.6	2,039.2	733.7	632.2	361.7	175.5	13.6	43.1	6,067.6	6,104.1
April	2,066.4	2,026.2	730.7	626.9	362.2	175.1	13.7	42.2	6,043.4	6,141.7

(a) Interest added 1957-58, \$62.4m; 1958-59, \$70.7m; 1959-60, \$80.3m; 1960-61, \$89.4m; 1961-62, \$105.4m; 1962-63, \$116.7m; 1963-64, \$114.8m; 1964-65, \$139.8m; 1965-66, \$159.5m; 1966-67, \$173.0m. The major part of this interest was added in May and June.

SAVINGS BANKS

SELECTED ASSETS WITHIN AUSTRALIA(a)

(£ million)

At end of—	Coin, bullion and notes	Deposits with Reserve Bank	Deposits with trading banks	Common- wealth Government securities(b)	Local and semi- govern- mental securities	Loans to authorised dealers in the short- term money market	Loans, advances and bills discounted	
							Housing	Other
June 1958	5.6	209.3	109.3	1,438.7	449.0	..	456.3	
" 1959	6.5	249.1	102.3	1,480.3	497.9	(c)	522.0	
" 1960	5.8	272.2	104.1	1,587.7	568.9	3.4	544.0	59.4
" 1961	8.7	277.1	89.1	1,578.7	622.8	15.3	612.5	66.7
" 1962	9.9	319.0	111.8	1,665.1	703.9	27.6	678.7	71.4
" 1963	9.5	366.2	119.0	1,827.2	835.5	39.0	793.9	80.7
" 1964	10.1	430.2	123.1	1,994.3	955.6	34.2	997.8	96.0
" 1965	10.8	430.3	117.5	2,066.1	1,092.3	28.8	1,185.2	131.7
" 1966	10.7	419.2	129.0	2,125.8	1,198.8	34.2	1,358.5	176.5
" 1967	12.3	492.5	136.3	2,184.5	1,328.5	50.5	1,548.8	222.3
1965-66—								
March	10.6	446.1	118.9	2,149.2	1,180.9	43.8	1,296.6	161.4
April	11.6	436.8	133.8	2,143.1	1,185.1	28.9	1,307.9	164.9
May	12.0	434.7	126.1	2,134.9	1,191.6	21.8	1,321.8	170.6
June	10.7	419.2	129.0	2,125.8	1,198.8	34.2	1,358.5	176.5
1966-67—								
July	11.0	423.0	115.7	2,145.3	1,210.0	43.7	1,368.7	182.5
August	10.9	423.1	125.6	2,164.3	1,228.3	50.1	1,384.5	185.6
September	12.0	416.7	124.0	2,197.9	1,240.3	31.5	1,399.0	192.0
October	12.4	424.5	131.7	2,235.6	1,248.9	30.6	1,409.3	196.7
November	12.4	435.1	118.2	2,233.7	1,264.6	36.5	1,423.2	203.8
December	14.8	459.2	130.1	2,194.0	1,276.6	21.7	1,444.3	209.2
January	13.0	478.1	136.8	2,176.7	1,285.7	34.1	1,448.2	211.9
February	13.1	482.1	137.7	2,189.9	1,299.6	34.9	1,457.8	214.9
March	13.4	490.5	149.9	2,200.5	1,305.8	32.6	1,476.7	216.8
April	13.1	485.8	133.4	2,191.4	1,312.8	40.0	1,488.2	218.3
May	14.4	489.8	141.8	2,186.2	1,321.1	41.0	1,504.0	223.0
June	12.3	492.5	136.3	2,184.5	1,328.5	50.5	1,548.8	222.3
1967-68—								
July	13.8	491.0	137.1	2,212.3	1,347.0	48.9	1,559.3	225.4
August	11.8	506.9	137.2	2,230.1	1,369.6	59.1	1,573.6	227.4
September	13.3	523.8	141.8	2,262.7	1,382.0	48.9	1,589.5	232.1
October	13.5	530.0	134.8	2,283.3	1,402.0	56.2	1,602.1	237.3
November	13.7	528.7	136.7	2,292.9	1,428.0	52.3	1,616.5	242.3
December	15.9	513.3	120.3	2,304.9	1,439.0	31.8	1,637.3	246.8
January	14.1	507.8	138.3	2,316.1	1,449.6	26.8	1,643.4	248.4
February	13.7	498.6	143.2	2,327.9	1,461.1	31.5	1,657.5	250.3
March	13.9	491.7	135.1	2,335.7	1,470.2	31.1	1,675.1	254.0
April	14.7	475.9	149.1	2,251.3	1,476.7	15.4	1,690.1	256.6

(a) Includes assets in Papua, New Guinea and Norfolk Island. (b) Includes Treasury bills and Treasury notes. (c) Not available
Short-term money market established in February 1959.

FINANCE COMPANIES

The following series of statistics cover the main types of lending by finance companies in Australia, including instalment credit for retail sales, wholesale hire purchase, other consumer and commercial loans (comprising personal loans, mortgage loans and advances), factoring and leasing. Information on the scope of these statistics and the definition of items are included in the bulletin *Finance Companies, July 1964 to September 1967*, which in addition contains more detailed statistics. Supplementary classifications are also provided for the instalment credit for retail sales transactions of finance companies. Amount financed is classified by type of commodity and collections and other liquidations is divided between cash collections and other liquidations.

AMOUNT FINANCED BY TYPE OF AGREEMENT

(\$ million)

Period	Instalment credit for retail sales	Wholesale hire purchase	Other consumer and commercial loans				Factoring	Total
			Personal loans	Mortgage loans	Commercial loans			
					Repayable at call or within 90 days	Other		
Monthly Average								
1964-65	53.9	40.2	5.3	18.5	21.9	12.8	7.3	159.9
1965-66	51.0	40.0	5.9	18.4	24.0	12.5	6.7	158.5
1966-67	57.5	54.4	7.9	22.9	27.1	11.0	5.2	185.9
Monthly Total								
1966-67—								
January	52.7	37.9	6.8	21.0	21.0	11.2	3.9	154.6
February	48.9	50.3	7.4	18.0	29.7	10.2	4.4	168.8
March	56.7	63.5	8.6	25.4	24.9	9.4	5.2	193.8
April	56.2	57.3	8.4	20.8	18.0	9.3	4.7	174.8
May	63.8	64.1	9.7	25.2	27.7	9.7	5.5	205.4
June	60.7	56.4	9.8	27.7	31.3	12.5	5.1	203.5
1967-68—								
July	59.9	58.0	9.6	24.5	31.5	8.1	4.8	196.4
August	67.1	64.5	10.2	25.7	35.7	9.0	5.6	217.7
September	63.8	60.9	10.1	26.5	39.0	9.7	5.5	215.4
October	72.6	67.4	10.0	28.0	21.1	10.3	6.1	215.5
November	75.0	71.4	10.4	27.6	41.1	9.1	6.3	240.9
December	70.2	62.9	10.2	32.7	29.5	10.9	6.3	222.8
January	62.5	44.2	7.6	22.0	33.6	7.9	3.9	181.7
February	64.1	65.0	8.8	24.9	20.9	10.1	6.1	199.8
March	66.7	74.7	9.6	29.9	28.0	17.9	6.0	232.7

COLLECTIONS AND OTHER LIQUIDATIONS OF BALANCES BY TYPE OF AGREEMENT

(\$ million)

Period	Contracts including charges			Contracts excluding charges					Total all contracts
	Instalment credit for retail sales	Other consumer and commercial loans	Total	Wholesale hire purchase	Commercial loans repayable at call or within 90 days	Other consumer and commercial loans	Factoring	Total	
Monthly Average									
1964-65 . . .	60.8	22.5	83.3	40.5	21.3	17.5	8.5	87.8	171.2
1965-66 . . .	64.8	24.1	88.9	39.7	22.7	18.0	7.8	88.1	177.1
1966-67 . . .	70.9	26.0	96.9	53.5	28.5	19.3	5.9	107.2	204.1
Monthly Total									
1966-67—									
January . . .	67.2	23.1	90.3	48.7	18.2	15.7	5.8	88.4	178.7
February . . .	75.1	24.4	99.5	46.2	23.8	17.0	5.2	92.3	191.8
March . . .	76.1	25.2	101.4	58.1	21.0	21.0	5.7	105.9	207.3
April . . .	69.0	23.2	92.2	54.7	32.0	21.9	4.7	113.3	205.5
May . . .	75.5	27.8	103.3	62.2	23.9	20.3	5.9	112.3	215.6
June . . .	69.7	29.8	99.5	56.3	49.8	27.5	5.6	139.2	238.7
1967-68—									
July . . .	75.7	27.1	102.8	56.5	26.4	18.8	5.6	107.3	210.1
August . . .	73.2	26.6	99.8	63.6	25.3	19.4	5.5	113.8	213.7
September . . .	69.7	26.6	96.2	60.9	29.8	20.0	5.6	116.3	212.5
October . . .	75.8	30.1	105.9	65.4	38.5	19.8	6.5	130.2	236.1
November . . .	74.9	32.3	107.1	67.3	21.7	22.5	6.4	117.9	225.0
December . . .	71.0	28.3	99.3	63.2	48.1	25.5	7.4	144.2	243.5
January . . .	70.2	24.0	94.2	56.2	21.1	16.7	6.0	100.0	194.2
February . . .	83.1	29.1	112.2	60.7	21.8	20.6	6.5	109.6	221.9
March . . .	80.4	29.6	109.9	64.7	27.9	20.7	5.7	119.1	229.0

FINANCE COMPANIES

BALANCES OUTSTANDING BY TYPE OF AGREEMENT

(\$ million)

Period	Contracts including charges			Contracts excluding charges					Total all contracts (a)
	Instalment credit for retail sales	Other consumer and commercial loans	Total	Wholesale hire purchase	Commercial loans repayable at call or within 90 days	Other consumer and commercial loans	Factoring	Total	
Australia									
At end of									
1964-65	976.4	476.1	1,452.5	64.1	39.5	232.4	25.5	361.5	1,814.0
1965-66	988.5	488.4	1,476.9	74.6	63.5	265.0	22.6	425.7	1,902.6
1966-67	1,086.2	539.4	1,625.6	92.9	49.4	298.8	21.4	462.5	2,088.1
Month									
1966-67—									
January	1,085.9	519.2	1,605.0	75.5	65.2	295.6	20.8	457.2	2,062.3
February	1,074.0	518.6	1,592.6	80.1	74.6	297.2	20.5	472.4	2,065.0
March	1,071.3	526.1	1,597.5	86.1	78.7	297.4	20.5	482.7	2,080.1
April	1,074.3	532.5	1,606.8	89.4	64.3	296.8	21.2	471.6	2,078.4
May	1,079.5	538.4	1,618.0	92.1	67.7	299.0	21.4	480.2	2,098.1
June	1,086.2	539.4	1,625.6	92.9	49.4	298.8	21.4	462.5	2,088.1
1967-68—									
July	1,088.4	547.9	1,636.3	95.0	53.3	300.6	21.4	470.3	2,106.6
August	1,100.4	556.0	1,656.4	96.3	65.3	302.1	22.3	486.0	2,142.4
September	1,112.3	561.9	1,674.2	96.8	74.5	307.9	22.3	501.5	2,175.7
October	1,125.3	575.1	1,700.5	99.3	57.1	312.1	22.8	491.3	2,191.8
November	1,147.4	576.3	1,723.7	104.3	75.7	318.5	23.6	522.1	2,245.8
December	1,164.5	590.0	1,754.5	103.9	56.2	321.0	23.3	504.3	2,258.9
January	1,173.7	595.0	1,768.7	92.2	69.0	325.5	21.5	508.3	2,277.0
February	1,172.7	604.0	1,776.7	97.0	67.6	325.2	21.8	511.7	2,288.4
March	1,177.7	611.9	1,789.6	107.3	70.1	339.4	22.8	539.6	2,329.2
States—At end of March 1968									
New South Wales and Australian Capital Territory	470.6	274.3	744.9	36.3	43.4	154.6	12.4	246.8	991.6
Victoria	279.8	104.7	384.5	25.9	18.1	101.2	8.7	153.9	538.4
Queensland	186.2	91.8	278.0	20.0	(b)	37.2	(b)	57.2	335.2
South Australia and Northern Territory	102.9	80.8	183.8	12.9	4.5	28.7	(b)	46.0	229.8
Western Australia	99.8	58.6	158.4	8.6	(b)	23.2	(b)	31.8	190.2
Tasmania	38.3	1.7	40.1	3.8	..	0.3	..	4.1	44.1
Australia	1,177.7	611.9	1,789.6	107.3	(c) 70.1	(c) 339.4	(c) 22.8	539.6	2,329.2

(a) Amounts shown in this column are intended to provide a broad overall measure of total balances outstanding. Movements in this series may be affected, however, by changes in the proportions of the two components of the series to the total. (b) Not available separately; included in other commercial loans. (c) Components may not add to totals.

FINANCE COMPANIES

INSTALMENT CREDIT FOR RETAIL SALES, AMOUNT FINANCED, CASH COLLECTIONS
AND OTHER LIQUIDATIONS AND BALANCES OUTSTANDING
(\$ million)

Period	Amount financed during period					Collections and other liquidations during period			Balances outstanding at end of period
	New motors	Used motors	Household and personal goods	Plant and machinery	Total	Cash collections	Other liquidations	Total	
Australia									
Year—									
1964—65	267.0	270.1	69.7	39.5	646.3	696.7	33.6	730.1	976.4
1965—66	249.8	250.3	69.0	42.9	612.1	746.2	31.7	778.0	988.5
1966—67	256.2	263.1	119.9	51.4	690.4	819.3	31.3	850.8	1,086.2
Month—									
1967—									
January	19.0	20.8	8.7	4.0	52.7	65.2	2.0	67.2	1,085.9
February	18.1	19.0	8.1	3.6	48.9	72.6	2.4	75.1	1,074.0
March	22.9	21.5	8.7	3.8	56.7	73.8	2.4	76.1	1,071.3
April	21.1	20.9	10.1	4.1	56.2	66.2	2.8	69.0	1,074.3
May	24.3	23.8	11.0	4.5	63.8	72.4	3.0	75.5	1,079.5
June	23.3	22.9	10.1	4.3	60.7	66.1	3.5	69.7	1,086.2
July	22.5	22.4	11.0	4.0	59.9	73.4	2.3	75.7	1,088.4
August	26.5	26.5	9.6	4.4	67.1	71.1	2.1	73.2	1,100.4
September	26.1	23.9	10.2	3.7	63.8	67.7	2.0	69.7	1,112.3
October	27.7	26.2	13.0	5.6	72.6	73.6	2.2	75.8	1,125.3
November	28.2	26.6	13.6	6.5	75.0	72.6	2.3	74.9	1,147.4
December	27.4	23.2	14.9	4.6	70.2	68.2	2.8	71.0	1,164.5
1968—									
January	25.0	24.6	8.7	4.2	62.5	68.4	1.8	70.2	1,173.7
February	25.8	24.5	9.5	4.4	64.1	80.6	2.5	83.1	1,172.7

States—February 1968

New South Wales and Australian Capital Territory	10.1	9.1	5.2	1.2	25.4	31.5	1.1	32.6	469.9
Victoria	6.5	5.4	1.9	0.7	14.5	17.3	0.5	17.8	278.2
Queensland	3.6	4.2	1.0	0.9	9.8	12.5	0.4	12.9	185.3
South Australia and Northern Territory	2.1	2.2	0.7	0.4	5.5	6.5	0.3	6.8	102.6
Western Australia	2.8	2.6	0.4	0.9	6.8	10.4	0.2	10.6	98.7
Tasmania	0.7	0.9	0.2	0.2	2.1	2.4	0.1	2.5	38.1
Australia	25.8	24.5	9.5	4.4	64.1	80.6	2.5	83.1	1,172.7

BUSINESS EQUIPMENT AND PLANT ON LEASE (\$ million)

Period	Initial capital cost of goods newly leased during period	Balances outstanding at end of period
Australia		
Year—		
1966-67(a)	77.5	129.0
Month—		
1967—		
March	8.4	114.9
April	7.5	119.6
May	9.3	125.6
June	10.7	129.0
July	9.4	130.2
August	9.7	133.8
September	8.3	138.8
October	10.3	146.3
November	10.5	152.6
December	9.6	157.7
1968—		
January	8.4	161.7
February	9.3	164.8
March	10.7	169.8

States—March 1968

New South Wales and Australian Capital Territory	4.4	64.4
Victoria	2.4	48.3
Queensland	1.9	28.2
South Australia and Northern Territory	0.9	14.1
Western Australia	1.0	10.4
Tasmania	0.1	4.4
Australia	10.7	169.8

(a) Balances outstanding at 30 June 1966 amounted to \$70.6 million, and at 30 June 1966 to \$92.7 million. The value of initial capital cost of goods newly leased is available only from June 1966

LIFE INSURANCE BUSINESS(a)

Period	New policies issued (excluding annuities)(b)						Premiums(c)			Claims, etc., paid(d)			New loans paid over (e)
	Ordinary business		Industrial business		Superannuation business		Ordinary	Industrial	Super-annua-tion	Ordinary	Indus-trial	Super-annua-tion	
	Number	Sum insured	Number	Sum insured	Number	Sum insured							
	'000	\$m	'000	\$m	'000	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	
Monthly Average													
1957-58	25.0	75.1	17.4	5.6	..	..	14.6	2.5	..	5.6	1.8	..	9.9
1958-59	26.3	86.9	16.0	5.4	..	..	16.0	2.5	..	6.2	1.7	..	11.5
1959-60	33.6	115.2	15.8	5.6	..	..	17.8	2.6	..	6.8	1.7	..	11.9
1960-61	27.7	98.9	15.1	7.2	(f)7.6	(f)35.3	19.4	2.6	..	8.7	2.2	..	13.9
1961-62	26.5	102.9	13.8	7.8	6.3	39.4	(g)22.1	2.7	..	(g)9.1	2.3	..	9.5
1962-63	26.1	105.6	12.0	8.8	6.7	41.6	17.2	2.7	6.6	7.5	2.1	2.6	10.6
1963-64	28.2	120.1	10.8	9.5	6.3	52.6	19.2	2.8	7.4	8.0	2.0	3.1	13.3
1964-65	28.9	125.9	10.6	9.7	6.8	67.9	20.7	2.8	8.4	9.0	2.1	3.8	14.8
1965-66	29.0	137.6	10.9	10.4	7.8	75.5	22.5	3.0	10.0	10.0	2.4	4.2	15.5
1966-67	32.0	160.4	11.2	11.3	7.9	82.7	25.0	3.2	11.3	11.7	2.1	5.0	13.6
Monthly Total													
1965-66—													
January	17.4	79.4	3.7	3.7	7.3	36.0	21.1	1.5	11.1	9.2	2.2	4.1	11.8
February	21.6	100.6	9.3	9.0	7.5	34.9	15.2	2.2	5.7	7.1	1.8	2.5	9.1
March	26.1	126.3	12.2	12.1	7.3	42.9	23.7	3.0	10.1	10.9	3.0	5.2	15.3
April	26.7	128.4	9.2	9.2	6.9	53.4	20.3	2.9	9.1	8.9	2.3	4.6	15.0
May	30.1	138.0	13.1	12.1	8.9	58.4	24.0	2.9	13.5	11.2	2.8	4.1	13.2
June	33.1	162.9	12.0	12.0	7.9	68.2	31.7	2.8	13.6	11.3	2.8	5.5	16.5
1966-67—													
July	35.2	170.5	12.4	11.9	10.3	68.3	25.1	3.5	9.5	11.4	2.7	4.7	13.9
August	33.3	159.0	13.0	12.7	11.4	85.1	25.4	3.5	11.0	12.2	2.8	5.3	13.3
September(b)	36.8	169.1	14.8	14.7	9.7	99.2	24.2	3.0	12.3	11.8	2.6	5.4	15.9
October	30.2	144.2	11.5	11.8	6.9	66.3	23.1	3.3	10.5	11.4	2.6	4.4	13.5
November	32.0	159.4	12.1	12.7	6.9	55.9	22.2	3.1	9.2	11.2	2.7	4.1	12.8
December(b)	35.7	217.3	8.1	8.5	9.7	253.8	24.8	4.4	14.1	12.2	2.1	6.7	17.5
January	21.3	107.6	3.9	3.9	4.8	48.3	20.4	1.1	9.2	8.7	1.4	3.5	9.0
February	25.4	124.9	10.9	10.4	5.8	55.1	23.0	2.6	9.8	10.2	1.9	4.2	13.3
March	29.5	147.4	10.9	10.9	5.4	59.9	25.4	3.1	11.5	11.9	1.8	6.2	12.5
April	29.8	148.0	11.1	11.4	8.0	55.1	23.2	3.2	10.0	10.7	1.4	4.3	12.9
May	35.3	178.8	14.8	14.5	7.2	67.7	27.5	3.2	12.4	13.3	1.9	4.6	15.3
June	39.1	199.0	11.3	11.4	9.3	77.1	36.1	4.3	16.2	14.6	1.7	6.5	13.7
1967-68—													
July	34.8	180.8	15.6	16.0	7.4	79.5	28.8	2.6	13.0	14.4	1.7	6.0	14.0
August	33.6	171.8	11.6	12.0	8.4	83.6	26.7	3.0	11.3	13.5	1.8	6.0	16.7
September(b)	39.4	207.5	14.1	14.6	10.5	113.5	26.8	3.5	13.3	12.2	1.7	6.6	15.7
October	33.3	174.4	12.0	12.8	7.3	67.2	26.2	3.3	14.0	13.3	1.8	5.4	15.3
November	33.3	178.2	11.6	12.9	7.3	62.5	25.3	3.2	10.7	13.2	1.8	5.0	16.9
December(b)	35.6	237.6	8.8	10.0	7.4	297.4	27.6	4.1	16.0	12.0	1.4	7.0	18.7
January	19.3	107.7	3.7	3.9	6.3	57.2	22.0	1.1	11.7	8.6	1.1	4.9	10.4
February	25.9	143.6	11.0	11.1	7.2	67.0	25.2	2.9	11.8	13.0	1.7	4.7	15.7

(a) Excludes business of the Government insurance office of New South Wales and the Queensland State Government Insurance office, which operate only in New South Wales and Queensland respectively. Figures compiled from monthly returns. (b) Relates to periods during which policies were recorded in company registers, which may be subsequent to periods in which written. Recordings tend to concentrate more in the last month of a company's year; months mainly affected are September and December. (c) Includes consideration for annuities. (d) Includes claims paid on death or maturity, payments made on surrender of policies, annuities and bonuses paid in cash. (e) Excludes 'advances of premiums'. (f) Figures for earlier periods not available separately; included with ordinary business. (g) Includes superannuation business. Separate details of superannuation business were available from the last six months of 1961-62.

LIFE INSURANCE BUSINESS(a)

SELECTED ASSETS HELD IN AUSTRALIA(b) BY LIFE INSURANCE COMPANIES

(\$ million)

At end of—	Fixed assets	Loans(c)				Investments			
		On mortgage		On policies	Other	Govt. securities	Local and semi-govt. securities	Debentures and notes	Shares
		Housing	Other, incl. rural						
June 1960	102.4	267.2	400.4	65.0	48.0	452.2	227.8	156.4	156.0
June 1961	133.4	301.2	432.4	79.8	54.4	457.0	224.2	222.4	209.2
June 1962(d)	159.8	306.6	452.0	87.8	52.2	523.2	242.2	220.8	241.0
June 1963	192.4	317.0	466.6	96.0	45.2	621.6	249.8	240.0	293.0
June 1964	233.0	323.3	500.7	103.9	40.1	689.1	266.4	284.9	351.1
December 1964	257.1	331.1	516.6	107.6	40.3	739.4	269.5	313.3	378.9
March 1965	265.0	333.6	525.4	110.0	41.5	751.4	267.8	320.1	394.5
June 1965	284.8	338.5	537.0	113.6	42.8	757.3	268.2	328.0	414.8
September 1965	301.6	341.3	554.3	118.1	42.9	773.9	269.2	330.8	426.0
December 1965	319.9	350.1	568.4	120.5	41.5	798.8	272.9	339.4	437.8
March 1966	335.3	353.4	574.0	125.3	40.6	821.1	275.7	346.4	444.3
June 1966	354.2	355.6	586.6	129.5	40.7	845.9	276.2	353.8	453.8
September 1966	371.8	356.3	596.2	132.0	40.6	872.5	277.4	365.1	467.4
December 1966	388.2	363.7	605.4	135.2	39.9	914.9	278.9	374.7	481.5
March 1967	392.9	364.8	609.4	138.4	39.1	958.4	283.5	377.7	492.3
June 1967	404.4	365.8	615.1	142.2	40.8	988.7	287.3	385.0	509.1
September 1967	417.5	366.2	625.5	144.5	40.7	1,027.7	294.9	394.7	524.1
December 1967	429.4	373.8	631.8	148.0	39.8	1,065.1	300.4	397.9	543.0

(a) Excludes details of the Government insurance office of New South Wales and the Queensland State Government Insurance office. Items shown are the balances according to the companies' ledgers as at the date at which the information was supplied without adjustment for any accrued or outstanding interest or other items which had not been brought into account as at that date. (b) Includes Papua and New Guinea. (c) Excludes 'advances of premiums'. (d) Details at the end of March 1962, and subsequent dates are not strictly comparable with information for earlier dates. Details prior to March 1962, include 'other classes of business' while subsequent dates relate to life insurance business only.

SHORT-TERM MONEY MARKET

SELECTED ASSETS AND LIABILITIES OF AUTHORISED DEALERS AND RATES OF INTEREST ON LOANS

(Source: Reserve Bank of Australia)

Month	Liabilities to clients			Selected assets				Interest rates on loans accepted during Month				Weighted average interest rate on loans outstanding (b)
	All cheque-paying banks	Other clients	Total	Commonwealth Government securities (face value)			Com-mercial bills (a)	At call		For fixed periods		
				Treasury notes	Other	Total		Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.	
Average of weekly figures—\$ million								Per cent per annum				
June 1962	55.8	177.1	232.9	..	242.3	242.3	..	2.00	4.00	3.00	3.88	3.45
June 1963	58.0	209.1	267.1	53.6	233.3	286.8	..	2.00	4.25	3.13	4.25	3.75
June 1964	67.3	253.6	320.8	38.2	303.0	341.2	..	1.50	4.50	3.38	4.50	3.71
June 1965	93.7	219.0	312.7	8.4	335.0	343.4	7.6	1.50	6.00	2.00	5.53	4.16
June 1966	74.8	275.4	350.2	10.7	362.6	373.3	25.2	3.00	6.10	4.25	5.80	4.73
June 1967	88.8	367.6	456.4	13.7	454.1	467.7	32.8	2.00	6.50	3.00	5.50	4.46
1966-67—												
February	95.1	358.8	453.9	89.6	376.6	466.2	10.4	2.00	6.00	3.00	5.75	4.25
March	101.3	370.3	471.6	69.6	415.1	484.7	13.8	1.00	6.00	3.75	5.10	4.12
April	104.2	372.4	476.6	39.9	448.9	488.8	17.3	2.00	5.75	3.25	5.50	4.21
May	94.8	374.0	468.8	19.1	452.7	471.8	24.0	2.00	6.75	3.75	6.00	4.23
June	88.8	367.6	456.4	13.7	454.1	467.7	32.8	2.00	6.50	3.00	5.50	4.46
1967-68—												
July	99.1	360.9	460.0	21.2	432.0	453.2	33.8	2.50	6.50	3.80	5.50	4.26
August	96.1	357.5	453.6	26.1	421.5	447.6	29.6	2.75	6.75	3.25	6.00	4.17
September	92.4	373.7	466.1	58.8	408.1	466.9	23.8	2.00	6.75	3.75	6.10	4.22
October	89.2	393.5	482.7	91.6	391.6	483.2	23.2	2.00	6.60	3.00	5.80	4.08
November	105.2	397.3	502.5	165.4	335.6	501.0	22.5	0.50	6.50	3.00	5.25	3.66
December	92.3	372.0	464.3	148.7	326.1	474.8	22.8	2.00	6.50	3.30	5.75	4.16
January	111.1	361.6	472.7	197.6	284.2	481.8	16.0	1.00	6.50	2.00	5.40	3.88
February	70.9	429.0	499.9	240.3	266.9	507.2	15.9	1.00	6.50	2.00	5.40	4.31
March	75.8	452.0	527.8	257.4	278.6	536.0	18.8	1.00	6.50	3.25	5.75	4.10

(a) Since 22 March 1965 authorised dealers have been permitted to hold, in addition to Commonwealth Government securities, a limited proportion of their portfolios in specified bills of exchange. (b) As at last Wednesday.

INTERNATIONAL RESERVES, EXCHANGE RATES, GOLD PRICES, SECURITY YIELDS, PRIVATE FIRST MORTGAGES

Period	Inter- national reserves (a)	Exchange rates(b)			Gold prices(b)		Commonwealth Government securities yield(c)			Private first mortgages registered in New South Wales (f)
		Australia on London (d)	London on New York (d)	Australia on New York (e)	Australia	London	Theo- retical 2 years	Theo- retical 10 years	Theo- retical 20 years	
	\$m	\$A per £stg100	\$US per £stg	\$US per \$A	\$A per fine oz.	£stg per fine oz.	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent (g)
1961-62	1,096.5	250.5	2.810	1.118	31.25	12.505	4.59	4.97	5.12	8.8
1962-63	1,224.9	250.5	2.802	1.115	31.25	12.526	4.21	4.66	4.90	8.9
1963-64	1,672.1	250.5	2.798	1.114	31.25	12.534	3.92	4.36	4.57	8.7
1964-65	1,354.3	250.5	2.790	1.110	31.25	12.583	4.66	4.88	5.09	8.7
1965-66	1,375.0	250.5	2.786	1.113	31.25	12.561	4.98	5.15	5.25	8.8
1966-67	1,198.3	250.5	2.793	1.111	31.25	12.598	4.68	5.08	5.25	8.9
1965-66—										(h)
April	1,299.6	250.5	2.794	1.112	31.25	12.575	4.99	5.15	5.25	8.9
May	1,365.8	250.5	2.792	1.111	31.25	12.578	4.97	5.16	5.25	9.1
June	1,375.0	250.5	2.790	1.110	31.25	12.599	4.94	5.17	5.25	9.1
1966-67—										
July	1,379.4	250.5	2.789	1.110	31.25	12.613	4.98	5.18	5.25	9.0
August	1,358.8	250.5	2.789	1.110	31.25	12.614	4.97	5.17	5.25	9.2
September	1,286.2	250.5	2.789	1.110	31.25	12.615	4.96	5.17	5.25	9.2
October	1,289.8	250.5	2.792	1.109	31.25	12.593	4.97	5.17	5.25	9.2
November	1,276.5	250.5	2.791	1.111	31.25	12.597	4.75	5.09	5.25	9.1
December	1,248.0	250.5	2.791	1.110	31.25	12.608	4.51	5.01	5.25	9.1
January	1,235.5	250.5	2.791	1.111	31.25	12.606	4.50	5.01	5.25	9.1
February	1,214.6	250.5	2.794	1.112	31.25	12.587	4.51	5.02	5.25	9.1
March	1,174.7	250.5	2.796	1.113	31.25	12.570	4.50	5.02	5.25	9.1
April	1,157.9	250.5	2.799	1.114	31.25	12.566	4.52	5.03	5.25	9.2
May	1,197.1	250.5	2.797	1.113	31.25	12.577	4.51	5.04	5.25	9.0
June	1,198.3	250.5	2.791	1.111	31.25	12.604	4.52	5.03	5.25	8.9
1967-68—										
July	1,156.8	250.5	2.787	1.109	31.25	12.623	4.53	5.02	5.25	9.0
August	1,151.3	250.5	2.785	1.108	31.25	12.633	4.53	5.01	5.25	9.1
September	1,143.3	250.5	2.784	1.108	31.25	12.639	4.51	5.01	5.25	9.3
October	1,170.4	250.5	2.783	1.108	31.25	12.645	4.51	5.03	5.25	9.2
November	(i) 1,145.6	238.0	2.645	1.113	31.25	13.369	4.75	5.02	5.25	9.2
December	1,092.3	214.7	2.407	1.118	31.25	14.622	4.71	5.10	5.25	9.1
January	1,131.3	214.7	2.409	1.118	31.25	14.602	4.80	5.11	5.25	9.1
February	1,102.2	214.7	2.409	1.119	31.25	14.605	4.84	5.11	5.25	9.1
March	1,117.1	214.7	2.400	1.114	31.25	14.680	4.86	5.10	5.25	9.2
April	1,095.8	214.7	2.402	1.115	31.25	(j) 37.86	4.87	5.12	5.25	
May										

(a) Source: Reserve bank. Net gold and foreign exchange holdings (official and banking institutions). See page 39, Reserve Bank of Australia statistical bulletin, financial supplement, September 1963, for a description of this series. Annual and December figures as at end of period, other figures last Wednesday of month. (b) Average of daily quotations based on daily returns from Reuters Economic Services. (c) Source: Reserve Bank. Yields are to last date of redemption. Income tax rebate of 10c in the dollar has not been taken into account. Excludes the effect of brokerage. Figures relate to last Wednesday in month. (d) Average of buying and selling rates for telegraphic transfers. (e) Selling rate. Direct quotation. (f) Includes all mortgages for corporations (other than banks and building societies) and individuals except abnormal amounts of \$2m or more in months in which large mortgages are few in number. (g) Weighted average twelve months. (h) Three monthly moving average ended month shown. (i) Reserves fell by \$24.8 million between the last Wednesdays in October and November. This fall includes a loss of approximately \$113 million resulting from the devaluation of United Kingdom and New Zealand currencies. (j) From 1 April 1968 quoted in \$U.S.

INTEREST RATES

(Per cent per annum)

Date of change in rate	Trading banks—					Overdrafts (maximum rate)— major trading banks	Savings bank deposits (predominant rate) (d)	Common- wealth loans (long- term)
	Fixed deposits—							
	30 days but less than 3 months (a)	3 months but less than 12 months	12 months to 18 months (b)	Over 18 months to 24 months (c)				
1961—								
1 January . . . . .	..	4.00	4.50	..	(e)7.00	3.25	5.000
22 February . . . . .	..	4.00	4.50	..	(e)7.00	3.25	5.375
1 July . . . . .	..	4.00	4.25	..	(e)7.00	3.50	5.375
1962—								
7 February . . . . .	..	4.00	4.25	..	(e)7.00	3.50	5.000
13 April . . . . .	..	3.75	4.00	..	7.00	3.50	5.000
1963—								
1 April . . . . .	..	3.25	3.50	..	6.50	3.50	5.000
1 May . . . . .	..	3.25	3.50	..	6.50	3.00	5.000
23 July . . . . .	..	3.25	3.50	..	6.50	3.00	4.500
1964—								
8 April	3.75	3.75	4.00	..	6.50	3.00	4.500	
27 April	3.75	3.75	4.00	..	7.00	3.00	4.500	
14 May	3.75	3.75	4.00	..	7.00	3.00	4.625	
1 June	3.75	3.75	4.00	..	7.00	3.25	4.625	
13 August	3.75	3.75	4.00	..	7.00	3.25	5.000	
29 September	3.75	3.75	4.00	4.25	7.00	3.25	5.000	
1965—								
10 March	4.25	4.25	4.50	4.50	7.25	3.25	5.000	
1 April	4.25	4.25	4.50	4.50	7.25	3.50	5.000	
13 April	4.25	4.25	4.50	4.50	7.25	3.50	5.250	
1966—								
17 August	4.00	4.00	4.25	4.50	7.25	3.50	5.250	

(a) Prior to 8 April 1964, banks were not permitted to accept fixed deposits for periods less than 3 months. From 8 April 1964, banks were permitted to accept fixed deposits in excess of \$100,000, for periods of 30 days but less than 3 months at rates not exceeding the maximum rates shown. (b) From 17 November 1960, to 9 September 1962, banks did not accept fixed deposits for periods longer than 12 months. From 10 September 1962, to 28 September 1964, banks were permitted to accept fixed deposits for periods up to 15 months. From 29 September 1964, banks were permitted to accept fixed deposits for periods from 12 to 18 months. (c) From 29 September 1964, banks were permitted to accept fixed deposits for periods over 18 months to 24 months. (d) The trustee savings banks and two State savings banks offer slightly higher rates. (e) Average rate on all advances not to exceed 6 per cent.

COMMONWEALTH GOVERNMENT SHORT-TERM DEBT AND BANK BALANCES

(\$ million)

Date	Treasury bills	Treasury notes	Bank balances	Total	Date	Treasury bills	Treasury notes	Bank balances	Total
30 June—									
1958	280.0	..	22.2	257.8	1966—67—				
1959	342.0	..	25.1	316.9	31 January	421.0	368.9	(a) 62.9	852.7
1960	402.0	..	27.3	374.7	28 February	315.0	350.1	(a) 92.3	757.4
1961	372.0	..	28.8	343.2	31 March	426.0	237.1	(a) 67.5	730.7
1962	416.0	..	18.8	397.2	30 April	273.0	108.3	(a) 71.1	452.4
1963	246.0	138.8	19.9	365.1	31 May	182.0	80.5	(a) 59.7	322.2
1964	178.0	152.6	20.9	309.7	30 June	90.0	90.2	25.7	154.5
1965	116.0	80.4	24.5	172.0	1967—68—				
1966	80.0	116.1	24.8	171.3	31 July	62.0	90.0	(a) 83.5	235.5
1967	90.0	90.2	25.7	154.5	31 August	222.0	101.4	(a) 85.9	409.3
1965—66—					30 September	300.0	181.3	(a) 66.5	547.8
30 April	247.0	119.0	(a) 69.1	435.1	31 October	307.0	253.3	(a) 68.0	628.3
31 May	103.0	128.1	(a) 70.1	301.2	30 November	344.0	376.6	(a) 42.8	763.4
30 June	80.0	116.1	24.8	171.3	31 December	347.0	439.7	(a) 62.4	849.1
1966—67—					31 January	136.0	668.4	(a) 73.2	877.7
31 July	113.0	138.6	(a) 47.5	299.1	29 February	131.0	701.0	(a) 83.4	915.4
31 August	196.0	171.9	(a) 71.0	438.9	31 March	164.0	631.3	(a) 56.7	852.0
30 September	294.0	288.2	(a) 66.7	648.9	30 April	55.0	385.6	(a) 71.8	512.4
31 October	350.0	258.6	(a) 80.9	689.5					
30 November	508.0	246.6	(a) 57.6	812.2					
31 December	672.0	262.5	(a) 2.3	936.8					

(a) Overdraft.

COMMONWEALTH AND STATE FINANCE^(a)

CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUNDS

(£ million)

Period	New South Wales ^(a)	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Six States	Commonwealth	Grand total ^(b)
Revenue									
1962-63	625.3	414.2	247.0	187.4	157.2	63.3	1,694.3	3,370.8	4,346.1
1963-64	684.5	444.4	260.9	203.0	167.9	68.4	1,829.1	3,809.4	4,885.1
1964-65	729.1	480.7	267.1	214.2	180.1	75.8	1,947.1	4,418.2	5,587.2
1965-66	771.6	508.6	294.5	228.8	206.7	84.9	2,095.1	4,879.2	6,080.2
1966-67	830.7	559.6	323.8	250.8	228.1	93.8	2,286.9	5,227.7	6,545.5
1967-68 (Estimate)	873.6	603.0	344.8	264.0	244.2	100.4	2,430.0	5,686.3	7,083.8
1965-66—									
July-February	482.6	296.7	190.5	152.2	131.4	49.2	1,302.6	2,443.2	3,162.9
July-March	546.4	332.2	212.8	171.5	149.1	59.0	1,471.0	2,934.2	3,749.5
July-April	605.1	369.5	235.9	189.5	164.2	64.5	1,628.6	3,628.1	4,528.0
1966-67—									
July-February	528.2	315.6	208.3	162.1	143.6	57.0	1,414.8	2,684.9	3,454.8
July-March	602.9	355.4	234.0	185.7	163.5	66.8	1,608.3	3,212.9	4,099.1
July-April	662.1	398.1	259.6	204.0	180.7	71.9	1,776.5	3,927.1	4,904.3
1967-68—									
July-February	562.6	345.9	252.4	171.7	160.4	60.6	1,553.5	2,928.1	3,801.5
July-March	641.5	387.8	280.2	194.2	181.0	71.7	1,756.4	3,511.0	4,496.5
July-April	715.6	436.8	308.7	214.4	200.5	78.6	1,954.5	4,326.3	5,424.1
Expenditure									
1962-63	624.9	414.2	248.9	186.8	158.7	64.3	1,695.7	3,370.8	4,347.5
1963-64	684.0	444.9	260.5	199.8	170.7	69.6	1,829.3	3,809.4	4,885.4
1964-65	734.2	480.7	271.2	216.8	184.8	77.4	1,965.1	4,418.2	5,605.2
1965-66	776.3	516.7	298.0	235.7	206.7	86.9	2,120.3	4,879.2	6,105.4
1966-67	833.8	559.6	323.5	250.7	228.2	94.4	2,290.3	5,227.7	6,548.8
1967-68 (Estimate)	878.6	603.0	344.8	268.0	244.9	102.9	2,442.1	5,686.3	7,096.3
1965-66—									
July-February	481.8	321.3	192.2	147.4	133.6	54.4	1,330.7	3,022.7	3,770.5
July-March	537.6	360.9	216.9	167.1	149.6	62.8	1,494.8	3,439.1	4,278.2
July-April	612.4	402.4	241.9	187.6	166.3	69.9	1,680.5	3,842.0	4,793.9
1966-67—									
July-February	518.8	345.8	204.9	158.6	147.4	61.0	1,436.4	3,325.7	4,117.1
July-March	589.9	387.7	231.8	179.8	166.4	68.6	1,624.2	3,727.6	4,629.7
July-April	657.8	431.5	258.1	199.6	183.0	75.8	1,805.8	4,108.3	5,114.7
1967-68—									
July-February	576.8	383.0	239.9	172.2	157.0	69.3	1,598.2	3,678.9	4,597.0
July-March	639.4	428.3	269.1	193.3	176.1	76.8	1,783.1	4,081.1	5,093.3
July-April	705.8	476.6	299.1	214.5	194.8	84.7	1,975.5	4,452.2	5,571.0

(a) Figures for N.S.W. represent combined transactions of consolidated revenue fund and business undertakings—railways, tramways, omnibuses and Sydney Harbour Trust section of Maritime Services Board—included in annual Budget Papers. Adjustments have been made to exclude duplications.

(b) To avoid duplication in aggregating particulars for the Commonwealth and States, the grand totals have been adjusted to exclude State payment to the Commonwealth in respect of pay-roll tax and Commonwealth payments to the States included in State consolidated revenue funds in respect of States grants (financial assistance), the interest on State debts, special grants, special financial assistance, grants to universities, tuberculosis capital expenditure and national welfare fund payments. There are other relatively minor payments for which adjustments have not been made and the adjusted figures are therefore still slightly overstated.